North Boulevard Community Development District

Agenda December 16, 2025

AGENDA

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Community Development District

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December 9, 2025

Board of Supervisors

North Boulevard Community Development District

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of North Boulevard Community Development District will be held Tuesday, December 16, 2025 at 11:30 AM at the Holiday Inn – Winter Haven, 20 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven, FL.

Those members of the public wishing to attend the meeting can do so using the information below:

Zoom Video Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84721280246

Zoom Call-In Information: 1-305-224-1968 **Meeting ID:** 847 2128 0246

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Public Comment Period
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the October 21, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting
- 4. Public Hearings
 - A. Public Hearing to Amend Rules of Procedure
 - i. Consideration of Resolution 2026-04 Adopting Amended Rules of Procedure
 - B. Public Hearing to Amend Parking Rules
 - i. Consideration of Resolution 2026-05 Adopting Amended Rules Relating to Parking
- 5. Consideration of Proposal for Mailbox Parking Signs
- 6. Update on Status of Property Encroachments at 180 Taft Dr.
- 7. Discussion of Fiscal Year 2026 Meeting Dates and Times
- 8. Ratification of License Agreement with Northridge Estates HOA for Holiday Decorations
- 9. Consideration of NREHOA Request to Install Garage Sale Signs
 - A. Feb 8 Feb 15
 - B. May 3 May 10
 - C. Aug 9 Aug 16
- 10. Consideration of Proposal from Prince & Sons for Mulch
- 11. Consideration of Renewal Letter for Landscaping Services from Prince
- 12. Consideration of Data Sharing and Usage Agreement with Polk County Property Appraiser
- 13. Discussion of Pool Maintenance Budget (requested by Supervisor Martinez)
- 14. Staff Reports
 - A. Attorney
 - B. Engineer

- C. Field Manager's Report
- D. District Manager's Report
 - i. Approval of Check Register
 - ii. Balance Sheet & Income Statement
- 15. Other Business
- 16. Supervisors Requests
- 17. Adjournment

MINUTES

MINUTES OF MEETING NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the North Boulevard Community Development District was held Tuesday, **October 21, 2025**, at 11:30 a.m. at the Lake Alfred Public Library, 245 N. Seminole Ave., Lake Alfred, Florida.

Present and constituting a quorum:

Andres Romero by Zoom

Ron Orenstein

Rheah Bridges

Emily Hazelrig

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Assistant Secretary

Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Tricia Adams District Manager, GMS Katie O'Rourke District Manager, GMS

Savannah Hancock District Counsel, Kilinski Van Wyk

Joel Blanco Field Manager, GMS

Joey Duncan by Zoom District Engineer, Dewberry Chace Arrington by Zoom District Engineer, Dewberry

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call

Ms. O'Rourke called the meeting to order and called the roll. Three Board members were in attendance constituting a quorum.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comment Period

Ms. O'Rourke stated that a couple of members of the public were present, including one via Zoom, but there were no public comments.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes of the August 11, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting

Ms. O'Rourke presented the minutes of the August 11, 2025 meeting and asked for any comments, corrections, or changes. The Board had no changes to the minutes.

On MOTION by Ms. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Romero, with all in favor, the Minutes of the August 11, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting, were approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Organizational Matters

A. Review of Resumes and Letters of Interest to Fill Board Vacancy in Seat #2 Exp. 11/2026

Ms. O'Rourke stated that the Board had reviewed four applicants for vacant Seat #2, a general elector seat expiring in November 2026. The applicants were Christine Tong, Jose Martinez, Alyssa Romero, and Maria Alfonso. Ms. Alfonso attended in person, and Mr. Martinez joined via Zoom. Ms. Romero withdrew her interest and Ms. Tong was on her way after going to the wrong location. Ms. Bridges asked both candidates about their motivation, priorities for District spending, and how they would promote transparency and resident engagement. Ms. Alfonso stated that she wanted to help with whatever was needed and would learn about the Sunshine Law and Board responsibilities. Mr. Martinez said he wanted to improve the community, enhance pool safety, control costs, and keep residents informed through emails and bulletins.

B. Appointment of Individual to Fill Board Vacancy

Ms. Hazelrig nominated Ms. Maria Alfonso, but there was no second to the motion and the motion died due to lack of a second. Ms. Bridges nominated Ms. Christine Tong, there was no second to the motion so the motion died due to lack of a second.

On MOTION by Mr. Orenstien, seconded by Mr. Romero, with all in favor, Appointing Jose Martinez to Fill Board Vacancy in Seat #2 Exp. 11/2026, was approved.

Ms. Hancock reviewed the Sunshine Law requirements, public records rules, ethics laws and conflicts of interest. She reviewed the role of Supervisors in setting policy rather than directing staff or vendors.

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C. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Individual

Ms. Hancock noted that Mr. Martinez could participate in discussions but could not vote until sworn in.

D. Consideration of Resolution 2026-01 Electing Officers

Board consensus was to keep the existing slate of officers with Mr. Romero as Chairman, Mr. Orenstein as Vice Chairman, Ms. Bridges and Ms. Hazelrig as Assistant Secretaries, and adding Mr. Jose Martinez as an Assistant Secretary.

On MOTION by Mr. Romero, seconded by Mr. Orenstein, with all in favor, the Resolution 2026-01 Electing Officers as slated above, was approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2026-02 Setting a Public Hearing to Amend Parking Policies

A. Revised Parking Map

Ms. O'Rourke presented Resolution 2026-02 which sets a public hearing to amend the parking policies. The Board reviewed the updated parking map in the agenda, and Mr. Orenstein pointed out that the colors were still wrong. He noted that the inner circle should be red and the outer circle green. Ms. O'Rourke suggested setting the public hearing on December 16, 2025 at 11:30 a.m.

On MOTION by Mr. Romero, seconded by Mr. Orenstein, with all in favor, Resolution 2026-02 Setting a Public Hearing to Amend Parking Policies on December 16, 2025 at 11:30 a.m., was approved.

B. Proposals for Signage

- i. Material Examples
- ii. Option 1 U Channel
- iii. Option 2 Fluted
- iv. Option 3 Round

Ms. Hancock reminded everyone that changing the parking policies wasn't mandatory; the Board could keep things as they were. Mr. Romero said he preferred to table any significant

parking changes for now because of the cost of new signage and the need to focus on more important expenses, such as road repairs. Mr. Orenstein agreed but suggested installing 5-minute parking signs by the mailboxes, since people often block them while going to the park. The rest of the Board decided that it would be a small and worthwhile fix.

Ms. Hancock explained that even adding mailbox parking signs would still require a public hearing, so the Board decided to include that and make some minor definition cleanups in the policy language, while leaving everything else the same. They agreed on using U-channel posts for the two mailbox signs and confirmed the 10-minute limit.

Mr. Orenstein also mentioned problems with parents stopping near the entrances during school bus times, creating a safety hazard. The Board agreed to discuss that at a future meeting so they could gather community feedback before installing any new "No Standing or Stopping" signs.

Mr. Orenstein asked about the faded towing-zone signs at the four entrances. Ms. O'Rourke said they could get proposals to replace the towing signs.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Update on Status of Property Encroachments

Ms. O'Rourke stated that they would next review property encroachments. Mr. Blanco stated that the resident at 128 Taft had removed their encroachment, and the issue was resolved. Some of the related photos were also shown in his field manager's report. Ms. O'Rourke stated with 160 Taft, you can see photos in Mr. Blanco's report showed wooden backdrops and pallets that were attached to the fence. Ms. O'Rourke said she had contacted both HOAs—one confirmed it wasn't its area, and the other said those items weren't allowed and that the homeowner would have to remove them. No further action was needed on that one.

The Board discussed 180 Taft, where the homeowner had added a gate and was using District property as part of their yard. Ms. O'Rourke said she spoke with the homeowner, who refused to remove it and said his attorney would reach out, but no attorney had done so. Ms. O'Rourke explained that the next step would be sending a letter of legal demand, and if there was still no response, the District could go to court for an injunction requiring removal. She also said the District could remove it themselves later if needed and charge the costs back to the homeowner, depending on what the court allowed. Ms. Bridges mentioned that the homeowner had installed the fence and gate around 2019 and had even received city approval at that time. Ms. Hancock

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clarified that city approval doesn't authorize building on CDD property and that only the Board can grant permission through the variance policy.

On MOTION by Mr. Orenstein, seconded by Ms. Hazelrig, with all Mr. Orenstein, Ms. Hazelrig, and Mr. Romero in favor and Ms. Bridges opposed, Authorizing Counsel to Send a Second Demand Letter to Resident of 180 Taft, was approved 3-1.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Ratification of Update to Amenity Policies

Ms. O'Rourke stated that the Holly Hill CDD Board had updated the amenity policies to lower the replacement cost for lost or damaged access key cards from \$50 to \$30. So she was looking for a motion to ratify these changes to remain consistent with Holly Hill policies, since both Districts share the same amenity.

On MOTION by Ms. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Romero, with all in favor, the Update to Amenity Policies, was ratified.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Presentation of KVW Memo Regarding Updated Provisions of the District's Rules of Procedure

- A. Consideration of Resolution 2026-03 Setting a Public Hearing to Amend Rules of Procedure
- B. Marked Up Rules of Procedure

Ms. O'Rourke reviewed the memo from KVW which was included in the agenda package covering updates to the District's rules of procedure. Ms. Hancock explained that these updates were needed due to legislative changes enacted during the 2025 session. She stated the rules of procedure outline how the District operates, including things like notice requirements and procurement processes. Ms. Hancock noted that the main change was to the notice timing for rule development and rulemaking, which now requires publication 35 days and 28 days before a public hearing instead of 29 and 28 days. Because of that, she added that the upcoming public hearing on the parking policy had to be scheduled for December rather than November. Ms. Hancock mentioned that there were also a few minor wording updates related to competitive purchases and general cleanup. She suggested setting the public hearing for the same December 16, 2025 meeting to save on advertising costs.

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On MOTION by Ms. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Orenstein, with all in favor, Resolution 2026-03 Setting a Public Hearing to Amend Rules of Procedure for December 16, 2025 at 11:30 a.m., was approved.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion of Fiscal Year 2026 Meeting Dates and Times – Requested by Supervisor Bridges

Ms. O'Rourke stated that the Board had discussed the Fiscal Year 2026 meeting dates and times, which had been added to the agenda at Supervisor Bridges' request. Ms. O'Rourke explained that they had looked into alternative venues for evening meetings. Tom Fellows Community Center was available only on Monday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m., closing at 8 p.m., and would cost about \$105 per meeting or roughly \$1,200 per year. The Balmoral Event Center also allowed night meetings but was more expensive, around \$232 per meeting or about \$2,700 annually. Ms. Bridges mentioned that she had chosen not to receive her Board compensation and asked if those funds could be used to cover meeting room costs. Counsel confirmed that unspent budget lines could be reallocated if needed, though they would remain in place in case another Supervisor later filled the seat. Ms. O'Rourke noted that even though room rental fees weren't budgeted, the Board could still approve them if funding was available. Mr. Orenstein and Mr. Romero said that they liked the meetings at Tom Fellows because they drew better resident participation. The Board discussed possibly holding every other meeting there to balance engagement with cost. They reviewed potential scheduling conflicts, noting that the third Mondays of January and February fell on holidays. After some discussion, the Board leaned toward starting the alternating schedule in January—holding meetings at Tom Fellows in odd-numbered months and at the regular location in even-numbered months—but decided to let staff check room availability first. The Board agreed to defer final action for one month and have staff bring back a revised meeting calendar with confirmed times and locations at the next meeting.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. Attorney

Ms. Hancock stated that she had no updates but reminded everyone to complete their ethics training. She noted that Mr. Martinez was exempt for this year but would need to do the four-hour training starting in 2026. She explained that the training must be done by December 31 and

reported on Form 1, which is like filing taxes. She noted that a few Board members had asked her to resend the link to the free training, and she agreed. Ms. Hancock clarified that there wasn't a tracking system for the training, but that the Board members could forward her their completion certificate or an email confirming they finished it.

B. Engineer

i. Consideration of Work Authorization for Fiscal Year 2026 Engineering Services

Mr. Duncan requested approval for Dewberry's 2026 work authorization for \$10,000 on a time-and-materials basis, so the District would only pay for actual work performed. He also mentioned an additional \$100 allowance for printing or travel expenses. Ms. O'Rourke confirmed that the cost was within the budget line, and the Board had approved the work authorization for Fiscal Year 2026.

On MOTION by Mr. Orenstein, seconded by Ms. Bridges, with all in favor, the Work Authorization for Fiscal Year 2026 Engineering Services, was approved.

C. Field Manager's Report

i. Consideration of Proposals for Dog Waste Stations

Mr. Blanco gave the field manager's report and said the landscaping, playground, and dry ponds were all in good shape. He reminded the Board that some areas still needed mulch—especially around the playground, tree rings, and entrance medians on Taft and Hoover—and said he could bring a proposal for that to the next meeting. Mr. Blanco mentioned that the dry ponds were being maintained regularly and that his team had pressure-washed the perimeter walls and fencing, touched up paint on the entrance monuments, repaired the playground borders, straightened signs, and cleared sediment from some of the pond outfalls.

Mr. Blanco reviewed possible locations for new dog-waste stations. He showed a map with three possible spots and said installation for all three would be \$1,476, with service handled by the Poop Bandit at \$46.80 per month per station. The Board discussed it and Mr. Bridges asked for audience feedback, so Ms. O'Rourke opened a public comment period to ask residents in attendance whether extra stations were needed, but no one saw a need. The Board decided not to add any new dog-waste stations.

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ii. Consideration of Proposals for Landscaping Services

- 1. Floralawn
- 2. Weber
- 3. Prince & Sons

Mr. Blanco confirmed that Prince & Sons' current price was about \$60,600, up from \$58,800 previously. Prince & Sons said they'd need to raise their price starting in May 2026 due to higher labor costs. They agreed to hold the current rate until May. The Board said they were happy with Prince & Sons' work and decided to stick with them after seeing that their price would still be under both other proposals. A new proposal will be brought to the next meeting showing the May increase.

D. District Manager's Report

i. Approval of Check Register

Ms. O'Rourke reviewed the check registers for July and August. Ms. O'Rourke explained that the \$100,000 difference between July and August was due to a transfer to the State Board of Administration account, a typical move to earn higher interest.

On MOTION by Ms. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Romero, with all in favor, the Check Registers, were approved.

ii. Balance Sheet and Income Statement

Ms. O'Rourke presented the unaudited financials. She stated that they were for informational purposes only.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Other Business

There being no other comments, the next item followed.

TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Supervisors Requests and Audience

There being no other comments, the next item followed.

THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Adjournment

Ms. O'Rourke adjourned the meeting.

On MOTION by Ms. Bridges, s favor, the meeting was adjourned	seconded by Ms. Hazelrig, with all in ed.
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chairman/Vice Chairman

SECTION 4

SECTION A

SECTION i

RESOLUTION 2026-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING AMENDED AND RESTATED RULES OF PROCEDURE; AND PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the North Boulevard Community Development District (the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), and being situated in the City of Haines City, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the District to adopt rules to govern the administration of the District and to adopt resolutions as may be necessary for the conduct of District business; and

WHEREAS, to provide for efficient and effective District operations and to maintain compliance with Florida law, the Board of Supervisors finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution the Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure attached hereto as **Exhibit A** for immediate use and application; and

WHEREAS, the Board has complied with applicable Florida law concerning rule development and adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

SECTION 1. The attached Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure are hereby adopted pursuant to this resolution as necessary for the conduct of District business. These Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the Board of Supervisors may amend these rules in accordance with the Act.

SECTION 2. If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of December 2025.

ATTEST:	NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chairperson, Board of Supervisors	

Exhibit A: Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure

EXHIBIT A

Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure

RULES OF PROCEDURE NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

EFFECTIVE AS OF DECEMBER 16, 2025

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Rule 1.0 General.

- (1) North Boulevard Community Development District ("District") was created pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, and was established to provide for the ownership, operation, maintenance, and provision of various capital facilities and services within its jurisdiction. The purpose of these rules ("Rules") is to describe the general operations of the District.
- (2) Definitions located within any section of these Rules shall be applicable within all other sections, unless specifically stated to the contrary.
- (3) Unless specifically permitted by a written agreement with the District, the District does not accept documents filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. Filings are only accepted during normal business hours, which are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
- (4) A Rule of the District shall be effective upon adoption by affirmative vote of the District Board. After a Rule becomes effective, it may be repealed or amended only through the rulemaking procedures specified in these Rules. Notwithstanding, the District may immediately suspend the application of a Rule if the District determines that the Rule conflicts with Florida law. In the event that a Rule conflicts with Florida law and its application has not been suspended by the District, such Rule should be interpreted in the manner that best effectuates the intent of the Rule while also complying with Florida law. If the intent of the Rule absolutely cannot be effectuated while complying with Florida law, the Rule shall be automatically suspended.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.1 Board of Supervisors; Officers and Voting.

- (1) <u>Board of Supervisors.</u> The Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") shall consist of five (5) members. Members of the Board ("Supervisors") appointed by ordinance or rule or elected by landowners must be citizens of the United States of America and residents of the State of Florida. Supervisors elected or appointed by the Board to elector seats must be citizens of the United States of America, residents of the State of Florida and of the District and registered to vote with the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which the District is located and for those elected, shall also be qualified to run by the Supervisor of Elections. The Board shall exercise the powers granted to the District under Florida law.
 - (a) Supervisors shall hold office for the term specified by Section 190.006 of the Florida Statutes. If, during the term of office, any Board member(s) vacates their office, the remaining member(s) of the Board shall fill the vacancies by appointment for the remainder of the term(s). If three or more vacancies exist at the same time, a quorum, as defined herein, shall not be required to appoint replacement Board members.
 - (b) Three (3) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of conducting business, exercising powers and all other purposes. A Board member shall be counted toward the quorum if physically present at the meeting, regardless of whether such Board member is prohibited from, or abstains from, participating in discussion or voting on a particular item.
 - (c) Action taken by the Board shall be upon a majority vote of the members present, unless otherwise provided in the Rules or required by law. Subject to Rule 1.3(10), a Board member participating in the Board meeting by teleconference or videoconference shall be entitled to vote and take all other action as though physically present.
 - (d) Unless otherwise provided for by an act of the Board, any one Board member may attend a mediation session on behalf of the Board. Any agreement resulting from such mediation session must be approved pursuant to subsection (1)(c) of this Rule.
- (2) <u>Officers.</u> At the first Board meeting held after each election where the newly elected members take office, the Board shall select a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer.
 - (a) The Chairperson must be a member of the Board. If the Chairperson resigns from that office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Chairperson. The Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Chairperson shall be authorized to execute resolutions and contracts on the District's behalf. The Chairperson shall convene and conduct all meetings of the Board. In the event the Chairperson is unable to attend a

meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall convene and conduct the meeting. The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson may delegate the responsibility of conducting the meeting to the District's manager ("District Manager") or District Counsel, in whole or in part.

- (b) The Vice-Chairperson shall be a member of the Board and shall have such duties and responsibilities as specifically designated by the Board from time to time. The Vice-Chairperson has the authority to execute resolutions and contracts on the District's behalf in the absence of the Chairperson. If the Vice-Chairperson resigns from office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Vice-Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board.
- (c) The Secretary of the Board serves at the pleasure of the Board and need not be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the minutes of Board meetings and may have other duties assigned by the Board from time to time. An employee of the District Manager may serve as Secretary. The Secretary shall be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) that names the District as an additional insured.
- (d) The Treasurer need not be a member of the Board but must be a resident of the State of Florida. The Treasurer shall perform duties described in Section 190.007(2) and (3) of the Florida Statutes, as well as those assigned by the Board from time to time. The Treasurer shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The Treasurer shall either be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) that names the District as an additional insured.
- (e) In the event that both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are absent from a Board meeting and a quorum is present, the Board may designate one of its members or a member of District staff to convene and conduct the meeting. In such circumstances, any of the Board members present are authorized to execute agreements, resolutions, and other documents approved by the Board at such meeting. In the event that the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are both unavailable to execute a document previously approved by the Board, the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may execute such document.
- (f) The Board may assign additional duties to District officers from time to time, which include, but are not limited to, executing documents on behalf of the District.

- (g) The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and any other person authorized by District Resolution may sign checks and warrants for the District, countersigned by the Treasurer or other persons authorized by the Board.
- (3) <u>Committees.</u> The Board may establish committees of the Board, either on a permanent or temporary basis, to perform specifically designated functions. Committees may include individuals who are not members of the Board. Such functions may include, but are not limited to, review of bids, proposals, and qualifications, contract negotiations, personnel matters, and budget preparation. Florida Open Meetings Laws apply to such Committees.
- (4) Record Book. The Board shall keep a permanent record book entitled "Record of Proceedings," in which shall be recorded minutes of all meetings, resolutions, proceedings, certificates, and corporate acts. The Records of Proceedings shall be located at a District office and shall be available for inspection by the public.
- (5) Meetings. For each fiscal year, the Board shall establish a schedule of regular meetings, which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located and filed with the local general-purpose governments within whose boundaries the District is located. All meetings of the Board and Committees serving an advisory function shall be open to the public in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 286 of the Florida Statutes.
- (6) Voting Conflict of Interest. The Board shall comply with Section 112.3143 of the Florida Statutes, so as to ensure the proper disclosure of conflicts of interest on matters coming before the Board for a vote. For the purposes of this section, "voting conflict of interest" shall be governed by the Florida Constitution and Chapters 112 and 190 of the Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time. Generally, a voting conflict exists when a Board member is called upon to vote on an item which would inure to the Board member's special private gain or loss or the Board member knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of a principal by whom the Board member is retained, the parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal, a business associate, or a relative including only a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law.
 - (a) When a Board member knows the member has a conflict of interest on a matter coming before the Board, the member should notify the Board's Secretary prior to participating in any discussion with the Board on the matter. The Board member shall publicly announce the conflict of interest at the meeting. This announcement shall appear in the minutes.

If the Board member was elected at a landowner's election or appointed to fill a vacancy of a seat last filled at a landowner's election, the Board member may vote or abstain from voting on the matter at issue. If the Board member was elected by electors residing within the District, the Board member is prohibited from voting on the matter at issue. In the event that the Board member intends to abstain or is prohibited from voting, such Board member shall not participate in the discussion on the item subject to the vote.

The Board's Secretary shall prepare a Memorandum of Voting Conflict (Form 8B) which shall then be signed by the Board member, filed with the Board's Secretary, and provided for attachment to the minutes of the meeting within fifteen (15) days of the meeting.

- (b) If a Board member inadvertently votes on a matter and later learns he or she has a conflict on the matter, the member shall immediately notify the Board's Secretary. Within fifteen (15) days of the notification, the member shall file the appropriate Memorandum of Voting Conflict, which will be attached to the minutes of the Board meeting during which the vote on the matter occurred. The Memorandum of Voting Conflict shall immediately be provided to other Board members and shall be read publicly at the next meeting held subsequent to the filing of the Memorandum of Voting Conflict. The Board member's vote is unaffected by this filing.
- (c) It is not a conflict of interest for a Board member, the District Manager, or an employee of the District to be a stockholder, officer or employee of a landowner or of an entity affiliated with a landowner.
- (d) In the event that a Board member elected at a landowner's election or appointed to fill a vacancy of a seat last filled at a landowner's election, has a continuing conflict of interest, such Board member is permitted to file a Memorandum of Voting Conflict at any time in which it shall state the nature of the continuing conflict. Only one such continuing Memorandum of Voting Conflict shall be required to be filed for each term the Board member is in office.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 112.3143, 190.006, 190.007, Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.2 District Offices; Public Information and Inspection of Records; Policies; Service Contract Requirements; Financial Disclosure Coordination.

- (1) <u>District Offices.</u> Unless otherwise designated by the Board, the official District office shall be the District Manager's office identified by the District Manager. If the District Manager's office is not located within the county in which the District is located, the Board shall designate a local records office within such county which shall at a minimum contain, but not be limited to, the following documents:
 - (a) Agenda packages for prior twenty-four (24) months and next meeting;
 - (b) Official minutes of meetings, including adopted resolutions of the Board;
 - (c) Names and addresses of current Board members and District Manager, unless such addresses are protected from disclosure by law;
 - (d) Adopted engineer's reports;
 - (e) Adopted assessment methodologies/reports;
 - (f) Adopted disclosure of public financing;
 - (g) Limited Offering Memorandum for each financing undertaken by the District;
 - (h) Proceedings, certificates, bonds given by all employees, and any and all corporate acts;
 - (i) District policies and rules;
 - (j) Fiscal year end audits; and
 - (k) Adopted budget for the current fiscal year.

The District Manager shall ensure that each District records office contains the documents required by Florida law.

(2) Public Records. District public records include, but are not limited to, all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received in connection with the transaction of official business of the District. All District public records not otherwise restricted by law may be copied or inspected at the District Manager's office during regular business hours. Certain District records can also be inspected and copied at the District's local records office during regular business hours. All written public records requests shall be directed to the Secretary who by these rules

is appointed as the District's records custodian. Regardless of the form of the request, any Board member or staff member who receives a public records request shall immediately forward or communicate such request to the Secretary for coordination of a prompt response. The Secretary, after consulting with District Counsel as to the applicability of any exceptions under the public records laws, shall be responsible for responding to the public records request. At no time can the District be required to create records or summaries of records, or prepare opinions regarding District policies, in response to a public records request.

- (3) <u>Service Contracts.</u> Any contract for services, regardless of cost, shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws. The District Manager shall be responsible for initially enforcing all contract provisions related to a contractor's duty to comply with public records laws.
- **(4)** Fees; Copies. Copies of public records shall be made available to the requesting person at a charge of \$0.15 per page for one-sided copies and \$0.20 per page for two-sided copies if not more than 8 ½ by 14 inches. For copies of public records in excess of the sizes listed in this section and for outside duplication services, the charge shall be equal to the actual cost of reproduction. Certified copies of public records shall be made available at a charge of one dollar (\$1.00) per page. If the nature or volume of records requested requires extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance, the District may charge, in addition to the duplication charge, a special service charge that is based on the cost the District incurs to produce the records requested. This charge may include, but is not limited to, the cost of information technology resource, employee labor, and fees charged to the District by consultants employed in fulfilling the request. In cases where the special service charge is based in whole or in part on the costs incurred by the District due to employee labor, consultant fees, or other forms of labor, those portions of the charge shall be calculated based on the lowest labor cost of the individual(s) who is/are qualified to perform the labor, taking into account the nature and volume of the public records to be inspected or copied. The charge may include the labor costs of supervisory and/or clerical staff whose assistance is required to complete the records request, in accordance with Florida law. For purposes of this Rule, the word "extensive" shall mean that it will take more than 15 minutes to locate, review for confidential information, copy and re-file the requested material. In cases where extensive personnel time is determined by the District to be necessary to safeguard original records being inspected, the special service charge provided for in this section shall apply. If the total fees, including but not limited to special service charges, are anticipated to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), then, prior to commencing work on the request, the District will inform the person making the public records request of the estimated cost, with the understanding that the final cost may vary from that estimate. If the person making the public records request decides to proceed with the request, payment of the estimated cost is required in advance. Should the person fail to pay the estimate, the District is under no duty to produce the requested records. After the request has been fulfilled, additional payments or credits may be

- due. The District is under no duty to produce records in response to future records requests if the person making the request owes the District for past unpaid duplication charges, special service charges, or other required payments or credits.
- (5) <u>Records Retention.</u> The Secretary of the District shall be responsible for retaining the District's records in accordance with applicable Florida law.
- (6) <u>Policies.</u> The Board may adopt policies related to the conduct of its business and the provision of services either by resolution or motion.
- Financial Disclosure Coordination. Unless specifically designated by Board resolution otherwise, the Secretary shall serve as the Financial Disclosure Coordinator ("Coordinator") for the District as required by the Florida Commission on Ethics ("Commission"). The Coordinator shall create, maintain and update a list of the names, e-mail addresses, physical addresses, and names of the agency of, and the office or position held by, all Supervisors and other persons required by Florida law to file a statement of financial interest due to their affiliation with the District ("Reporting Individual"). The Coordinator shall provide this list to the Commission by February 1 of each year, which list shall be current as of December 31 of the prior year. Each Supervisor and Reporting Individual shall promptly notify the Coordinator in writing if there are any changes to such person's name, e-mail address, or physical address. Each Supervisor and Reporting Individual shall promptly notify the Commission in the manner prescribed by the Commission if there are any changes to such person's e-mail address.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 112.31446(3), 112.3145(8)(a)1., 119.07, 119.0701, 190.006, Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.3 Public Meetings, Hearings, and Workshops.

- Notice. Except in emergencies, or as otherwise required by statute or these Rules, (1) at least seven (7) days' public notice shall be given of any public meeting, hearing or workshop of the Board. Public notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and in the county in which the District is located. "General circulation" means a publication that is printed and published at least once a week for the preceding year, offering at least 25% of its words in the English language, qualifies as a periodicals material for postal purposes in the county in which the District is located, is for sale to the public generally, is available to the public generally for the publication of official or other notices, and is customarily containing information of a public character or of interest or of value to the residents or owners of property in the county where published, or of interest or of value to the general public. The annual meeting notice required to be published by Section 189.015 of the Florida Statutes, shall be published in a newspaper not of limited subject matter, which is published at least five days a week, unless the only newspaper in the county is published less than five days a week, and shall satisfy the requirement to give at least seven (7) days' public notice stated herein. Each Notice shall state, as applicable:
 - (a) The date, time and place of the meeting, hearing or workshop;
 - (b) A brief description of the nature, subjects, and purposes of the meeting, hearing, or workshop;
 - (c) The District office address for the submission of requests for copies of the agenda, as well as a contact name and telephone number for verbal requests for copies of the agenda; and
 - (d) The following or substantially similar language: "Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting/hearing/workshop is asked to advise the District Office at least three (3) business days before the meeting/hearing/workshop by contacting the District Manager at Monica Virgen, mvirgen@gmscfl.com, , Governmental Management Services-Central Florida, LLC, 219 E. Livingston St., Orlando, FL 32801 (407) 841-5524. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1 (800) 955-8770 or 1 (800) 955-8771, who can aid you in contacting the District Office."
 - (e) The following or substantially similar language: "A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting/hearing/workshop with respect to any matter considered at the meeting/hearing/workshop is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based."

(f) The following or substantially similar language: "The meeting [or hearing or workshop] may be continued in progress without additional notice to a time, date, and location stated on the record."

The date, time, and place of each meeting, hearing, or workshop of the Board shall additionally be posted on the District's website at least seven (7) days before each meeting, hearing, or workshop.

- (2) <u>Mistake.</u> In the event that a meeting is held under the incorrect assumption that notice required by law and these Rules has been given, the Board at its next properly noticed meeting shall cure such defect by considering the agenda items from the prior meeting individually and anew.
- (3) Agenda. The District Manager, under the guidance of District Counsel and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, shall prepare an agenda of meeting/hearing/workshop. The agenda and any meeting materials available in an electronic format, excluding any confidential and any confidential and exempt information, shall be available to the public at least seven days before the meeting/hearing/workshop, except in an emergency. Meeting materials shall be defined as, and limited to, the agenda, meeting minutes, resolutions, and agreements of the District that District staff deems necessary for Board approval ("Meeting Materials"). Inclusion of additional materials for Board consideration other than those defined herein as "meeting materials" shall not convert such materials into Meeting Materials. For good cause, which includes but is not limited to emergency situations, time-sensitive matters, or newly discovered information essential for Board consideration, the agenda may be changed after it is first made available for distribution, and additional materials may be added or provided under separate cover at the meeting. The requirement of good cause shall be liberally construed to allow the District to efficiently conduct business and to avoid the expenses associated with special meetings.

The District may, but is not required to, use the following format, or similar format, in preparing its agenda for its regular meetings:

Call to order
Roll call
Public comment
Organizational matters
Review of minutes
Specific items of old business
Specific items of new business
Staff reports

- (a) District Counsel
- (b) District Engineer
- (c) District Manager

- 1. Financial Report
- 2. Approval of Expenditures

Supervisor's requests and comments
Public comment
Adjournment

- (4) <u>Minutes.</u> The Secretary shall be responsible for preparing and keeping the minutes of each meeting of the Board. Minutes shall be corrected and approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting. The Secretary may work with other staff members in preparing draft minutes for the Board's consideration.
- (5) <u>Special Requests.</u> Persons wishing to receive, by mail, notices or agendas of meetings, may so advise the District Manager or Secretary at the District Office. Such persons shall furnish a mailing address in writing and shall be required to prepay the cost of the copying and postage.
- (6) Emergency Meetings. The Chairperson, or Vice-Chairperson if the Chairperson is unavailable, upon consultation with the District Manager and District Counsel, if available, may convene an emergency meeting of the Board without first having complied with sections (1) and (3) of this Rule, to act on emergency matters that may affect the public health, safety, or welfare. Whenever possible, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to provide public notice and notify all Board members of an emergency meeting twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Reasonable efforts may include telephone notification. Notice of the emergency meeting must be provided both before and after the meeting on the District's website, including the specific reasons for the emergency meeting. Whenever an emergency meeting is called, the District Manager shall be responsible for notifying at least one newspaper of general circulation in the District. After an emergency meeting, the Board shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, the time, date and place of the emergency meeting, the reasons why an emergency meeting was necessary, and a description of the action taken. Actions taken at an emergency meeting may be ratified by the Board at a regularly noticed meeting subsequently held.
- (7) Public Comment. The Board shall set aside a three (3) minutes per person, unless extended or reduced by the Chairperson based on the number of speakers and meeting agenda and other reasonable factors reasonable amount of time at each meeting for public comment and members of the public shall be permitted to provide comment on any proposition before the Board. The portion of the meeting generally reserved for public comment shall be identified in the agenda. Policies governing public comment may be adopted by the Board in accordance with Florida law.
- (8) <u>Budget Hearing.</u> Notice of hearing on the annual budget(s) shall be in accord with Section 190.008 of the Florida Statutes. Once adopted in accord with Section 190.008 of the Florida Statutes, the annual budget(s) may be amended from time to

time by action of the Board. Approval of invoices by the Board in excess of the funds allocated to a particular budgeted line item shall serve to amend the budgeted line item.

- (9) <u>Public Hearings.</u> Notice of required public hearings shall contain the information required by applicable Florida law and by these Rules applicable to meeting notices and shall be mailed and published as required by Florida law. The District Manager shall ensure that all such notices, whether mailed or published, contain the information required by Florida law and these Rules and are mailed and published as required by Florida law. Public hearings may be held during Board meetings when the agenda includes such public hearing.
- (10) Participation by Teleconference/Videoconference. District staff may participate in Board meetings by teleconference or videoconference. Board members may also participate in Board meetings by teleconference or videoconference if in the good judgment of the Board extraordinary circumstances exist; provided however, at least three Board members must be physically present at the meeting location to establish a quorum. Such extraordinary circumstances shall be presumed when a Board member participates by teleconference or videoconference, unless a majority of the Board members physically present determines that extraordinary circumstances do not exist. Extraordinary circumstances may include, but are not limited to, illness, family emergencies, or other significant schedule conflicts which prevent in-person meeting attendance.
- (11) <u>Board Authorization.</u> The District has not adopted Robert's Rules of Order. For each agenda item, there shall be discussion permitted among the Board members during the meeting. Unless such procedure is waived by the Board, approval or disapproval of resolutions and other proposed Board actions shall be in the form of a motion by one Board member, a second by another Board member, an opportunity for final board discussion and an affirmative vote by the majority of the Board members present. Any Board member, including the Chairperson, can make or second a motion.
- (12) <u>Continuances.</u> Any meeting or public hearing of the Board may be continued without re-notice or re-advertising provided that:
 - (a) The Board identifies on the record at the original meeting a reasonable need for a continuance;
 - (b) The continuance is to a specified date, time, and location publicly announced at the original meeting; and
 - (c) The public notice for the original meeting states that the meeting may be continued to a date and time and states that the date, time, and location of any continuance shall be publicly announced at the original meeting and posted at the District Office immediately following the original meeting.

- (13)Attorney-Client Sessions. An Attorney-Client Session is permitted when the District's attorneys deem it necessary to meet in private with the Board to discuss pending litigation to which the District is a party before a court or administrative agency or as may be authorized by law. The District's attorney must request such session at a public meeting. Prior to holding the Attorney-Client Session, the District must give reasonable public notice of the time and date of the session and the names of the persons anticipated to attend the session. The session must commence at an open meeting in which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson announces the commencement of the session, the estimated length of the session, and the names of the persons who will be attending the session. The discussion during the session is confined to settlement negotiations or strategy related to litigation expenses or as may be authorized by law. Only the Board, the District's attorneys (including outside counsel), the District Manager, and the court reporter may attend an Attorney-Client Session. During the session, no votes may be taken and no final decisions concerning settlement can be made. Upon the conclusion of the session, the public meeting is reopened, and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson must announce that the session has concluded. The session must be transcribed by a court-reporter and the transcript of the session filed with the District Secretary within a reasonable time after the session. The transcript shall not be available for public inspection until after the conclusion of the litigation.
- (14) Security and Fire safety Board Discussions. Portions of a meeting which relate to or would reveal a security or fire safety system plan or portion thereof made confidential and exempt by section 119.071(3)(a), Florida Statutes, are exempt from the public meeting requirements and other requirements of section 286.011, Florida Statutes, and section 24(b), Article 1 of the State Constitution. Should the Board wish to discuss such matters, members of the public shall be required to leave the meeting room during such discussion. Any records of the Board's discussion of such matters, including recordings or minutes, shall be maintained as confidential and exempt records in accordance with Florida law.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 189.069(2)(a)16, 190.006, 190.007, 190.008, 286.0105, 286.011, 286.0113, 286.0114, Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.4 Internal Controls to Prevent Fraud, Waste and Abuse

- (1) <u>Internal Controls.</u> The District shall establish and maintain internal controls designed to:
 - (a) Prevent and detect "fraud," "waste" and "abuse" as those terms are defined in section 11.45(1), *Florida Statutes*; and
 - (b) Promote and encourage compliance with applicable laws, rules contracts, grant agreements, and best practices; and
 - (c) Support economical and efficient operations; and
 - (d) Ensure reliability of financial records and reports; and
 - (e) Safeguard assets.
- (2) Adoption. The internal controls to prevent fraud, waste and abuse shall be adopted and amended by the District in the same manner as District policies.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 218.33(3), Fla. Stat.

Rule 2.0 Rulemaking Proceedings.

(1) Commencement of Proceedings. Proceedings held for adoption, amendment, or repeal of a District rule shall be conducted according to these Rules. Rulemaking proceedings shall be deemed to have been initiated upon publication of notice by the District. A "rule" is a District statement of general applicability that implements, interprets, or prescribes law or policy, or describes the procedure or practice requirements of the District ("Rule"). Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring the District to consider or adopt rules unless required by Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other monetary charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

(2) Notice of Rule Development.

- (a) Except when the intended action is the repeal of a Rule, the District shall provide notice of the development of a proposed rule by publication of a Notice of Rule Development in a newspaper of general circulation in the District before providing notice of a proposed rule as required by section (3) of this Rule. Consequently, the Notice of Rule Development shall be published at least seven (7) days before the notice of rulemaking described in Section 2.0(3), infra., and at least thirty-five (35) days prior to the public hearing on the proposed rule. The Notice of Rule Development shall indicate the subject area to be addressed by rule development, provide a short, plain explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed rule, cite the grant of rulemaking authority for the proposed rule and law being implemented, include the proposed rule number, and include a statement of how a person may promptly obtain, without cost, a copy of any preliminary draft, if available.
- (b) All rules as drafted shall be consistent with Sections 120.54(1)(g) and 120.54(2)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

(3) Notice of Proceedings and Proposed Rules.

(a) Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule other than an emergency rule, the District shall give notice of its intended action, including: a short, plain explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed action, the proposed rule number (if applicable), a reference to the specific rulemaking authority pursuant to which the rule is adopted, a reference to the section or subsection of the Florida Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific, and the name, e-mail address, and telephone number of the staff member who may be contacted regarding the intended action. The notice shall include a summary of the District's statement of estimated regulatory costs and the website address where the complete statement of estimated regulatory costs may be viewed, if such a

statement has been prepared pursuant to Section 120.541(2), *Florida Statutes*, and a statement that any person who wishes to provide the District with a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), must do so in writing within twenty-one (21) days after publication of the notice. The notice shall additionally include a statement that any affected person may request a public hearing by submitting a written request within twenty-one (21) days after the date of publication of the notice. Except when intended action is the repeal of a rule, the notice shall include a reference to both the date on which and the place where the Notice of Rule Development required by section (2) of this Rule appeared.

- (b) The notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and each county in which the District is located not less than twenty-eight (28) days prior to the intended action. The proposed rule and any material proposed to be incorporated by reference shall be available for inspection and copying by the public at the time of the publication of notice.
- (c) The notice shall be mailed, delivered electronically to all persons named in the proposed rule and to all persons who, at least fourteen (14) days prior to publication of the notice, have made requests of the District for advance notice of its rulemaking proceedings. Any person may file a written request with the District Manager to receive notice by mail of District proceedings to adopt, amend, or repeal a rule. Such persons must furnish a mailing address and may be required to pay the cost of copying and mailing.
- (4) <u>Rule Development Workshops.</u> Whenever requested in writing by any affected person, the District must either conduct a rule development workshop prior to proposing rules for adoption or the Chairperson must explain in writing why a workshop is unnecessary. The District may initiate a rule development workshop but is not required to do so.
- Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking. All Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking proceedings must contain the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner, the specific action requested, the specific reason for adoption, amendment, or repeal, the date submitted, the text of the proposed rule, and the facts showing that the petitioner is regulated by the District or has a substantial interest in the rulemaking. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days following the date of filing a petition, the Board shall initiate rulemaking proceedings or deny the petition with a written statement of its reasons for the denial. If the petition is directed to an existing policy that the District has not formally adopted as a rule, the District may, in its discretion, notice and hold a public hearing on the petition to consider the comments of the public directed to the policy, its scope and application, and to consider whether the public interest is served adequately by the application of the policy on a case-by-case basis, as contrasted with its formal adoption as a rule. However, this section shall not be construed as requiring the District to adopt a rule to replace a policy.

- (6) <u>Rulemaking Materials.</u> After the publication of the notice referenced in section (3) of this Rule, the Board shall make available for public inspection and shall provide, upon request and payment of the cost of copies, the following materials:
 - (a) The text of the proposed rule, or any amendment or repeal of any existing rules;
 - (b) A detailed written statement of the facts and circumstances justifying the proposed rule;
 - (c) A copy of the statement of estimated regulatory costs if required by Section 120.541 of the Florida Statutes; and
 - (d) The published notice.
- (7) Hearing. The District may, or, upon the written request of any affected person received within twenty-one (21) days after the date of publication of the notice described in section (3) of this Rule, shall, provide a public hearing for the presentation of evidence, argument, and oral statements, within the reasonable conditions and limitations imposed by the District to avoid duplication, irrelevant comments, unnecessary delay, or disruption of the proceedings. The District shall publish notice of the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the District either in the text of the notice described in section (3) of this Rule or in a separate publication at least seven (7) days before the scheduled public hearing. The notice shall specify the date, time, and location of the public hearing, and the name, address, and telephone number of the District contact person who can provide information about the public hearing. Written statements may be submitted by any person prior to or at the public hearing. All timely submitted written statements shall be considered by the District and made part of the rulemaking record.
- (8) Emergency Rule Adoption. The Board may adopt an emergency rule if it finds that it is necessitated by immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare which requires immediate action, or if the Legislature authorizes the Board to adopt emergency rules. Prior to the adoption of an emergency rule, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to notify a newspaper of general circulation in the District. Notice of the emergency rules together with the Board's findings of immediate danger, necessity, and procedural fairness or a citation to the grant of emergency rulemaking authority shall be published as soon as possible in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. The District may use any procedure which is fair under the circumstances in the adoption of an emergency rule provided that such procedure protects the public interest and complies with applicable law and these provisions.
- (9) <u>Negotiated Rulemaking.</u> The District may use negotiated rulemaking in developing and adopting rules pursuant to Section 120.54(2)(d) of the Florida Statutes, except that any notices required under Section 120.54(2)(d) of the Florida Statutes, may

be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located.

- (10) <u>Rulemaking Record.</u> In all rulemaking proceedings, the District shall compile and maintain a rulemaking record. The record shall include, if applicable:
 - (a) The texts of the proposed rule and the adopted rule;
 - (b) All notices given for a proposed rule;
 - (c) Any statement of estimated regulatory costs for the rule;
 - (d) A written summary of hearings, if any, on the proposed rule;
 - (e) All written comments received by the District and responses to those written comments; and
 - (f) All notices and findings pertaining to an emergency rule.
- (11) Petitions to Challenge Existing Rules.
 - (a) Any person substantially affected by a rule may seek an administrative determination of the invalidity of the rule on the ground that the rule is an invalid exercise of the District's authority.
 - (b) The petition seeking an administrative determination must state with particularity the provisions alleged to be invalid with sufficient explanation of the facts or grounds for the alleged invalidity and facts sufficient to show that the person challenging a rule is substantially affected by it.
 - (c) The petition shall be filed with the District. Within ten (10) days after receiving the petition, the Chairperson shall, if the petition complies with the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other qualified person as a hearing officer who shall conduct a hearing within thirty (30) days thereafter, unless the petition is withdrawn or a continuance is granted by agreement of the parties. The failure of the District to follow the applicable rulemaking procedures or requirements in this Rule shall be presumed to be material; however, the District may rebut this presumption by showing that the substantial interests of the petitioner and the fairness of the proceedings have not been impaired.
 - (d) Within thirty (30) days after the hearing, the hearing officer shall render a decision and state the reasons therefor in writing.

- (e) Hearings held under this section shall be de novo in nature. The petitioner has a burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the existing rule is an invalid exercise of District authority as to the objections raised. The hearing officer may:
 - (i) Administer oaths and affirmations;
 - (ii) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
 - (iii) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;
 - (iv) Enter orders; and
 - (v) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.
- (f) The petitioner and the District shall be adverse parties. Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors on appropriate terms which shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- (12) <u>Variances and Waivers.</u> A "variance" means a decision by the District to grant a modification to all or part of the literal requirements of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule. A "waiver" means a decision by the District not to apply all or part of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule. Variances and waivers from District rules may be granted subject to the following:
 - (a) Variances and waivers shall be granted when the person subject to the rule demonstrates that the purpose of the underlying statute will be or has been achieved by other means by the person, and when application of the rule would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness. For purposes of this section, "substantial hardship" means a demonstrated economic, technological, legal, safety-related, or other significant type of hardship to the person requesting the variance or waiver. For purposes of this section, "principles of fairness" are violated when the literal application of a rule affects a particular person in a manner significantly different from the way it affects other similarly situated persons who are subject to the rule.
 - (b) A person who is subject to regulation by a District Rule may file a petition with the District, requesting a variance or waiver from the District's Rule. Each petition shall specify:
 - (i) The rule from which a variance or waiver is requested;
 - (ii) The type of action requested;

- (iii) The specific facts that would justify a waiver or variance for the petitioner; and
- (iv) The reason why the variance or the waiver requested would serve the purposes of the underlying statute.
- (c) The District shall review the petition and may request only that information needed to clarify the petition or to answer new questions raised by or directly related to the petition. If the petitioner asserts that any request for additional information is not authorized by law or by Rule of the District, the District shall proceed, at the petitioner's written request, to process the petition.
- (d) The Board shall grant or deny a petition for variance or waiver and shall announce such disposition at a publicly held meeting of the Board, within ninety (90) days after receipt of the original petition, the last item of timely requested additional material, or the petitioner's written request to finish processing the petition. The District's statement granting or denying the petition shall contain a statement of the relevant facts and reasons supporting the District's action.
- (13) <u>Rates, Fees, Rentals and Other Charges.</u> All rates, fees, rentals, or other charges shall be subject to rulemaking proceedings. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.035, Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 120.54, 190.011(5), 190.035(2), Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.0 Competitive Purchase.

- (1) <u>Purpose and Scope.</u> In order to comply with Sections 190.033(1) through (3), 287.055 and 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, the following provisions shall apply to the purchase of Professional Services, insurance, construction contracts, designbuild services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) <u>Board Authorization.</u> Except in cases of an Emergency Purchase, a competitive purchase governed by these Rules shall only be undertaken after authorization by the Board.

(3) <u>Definitions.</u>

- (a) "Competitive Solicitation" means a formal, advertised procurement process, other than an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, or Invitation to Negotiate, approved by the Board to purchase commodities and/or services which affords vendors fair treatment in the competition for award of a District purchase contract.
- (b) "Continuing Contract" means a contract for Professional Services entered into in accordance with Section 287.055 of the Florida Statutes, between the District and a firm, whereby the firm provides Professional Services to the District for projects in which the costs do not exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000), for a study activity when the fee for such Professional Services to the District does not exceed two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), or for work of a specified nature as outlined in the contract with the District, with no time limitation except that the contract must provide a termination clause (for example, a contract for general District engineering services). Firms providing Professional Services under Continuing Contracts shall not be required to bid against one another.
- (c) "Contractual Service" means the rendering by a contractor of its time and effort rather than the furnishing of specific commodities. The term applies only to those services rendered by individuals and firms who are independent contractors. Contractual Services do not include auditing services, Maintenance Services, or Professional Services as defined in Section 287.055(2)(a) of the Florida Statutes, and these Rules. Contractual Services also do not include any contract for the furnishing of labor or materials for the construction, renovation, repair, modification, or demolition of any facility, building, portion of building, utility, park, parking lot, or structure or other improvement to real property entered into pursuant to Chapter 255 of the Florida Statutes, and Rules 3.5 or 3.6.
- (d) "Design-Build Contract" means a single contract with a Design-Build Firm for the design and construction of a public construction project.

- (e) "Design-Build Firm" means a partnership, corporation or other legal entity that:
 - (i) Is certified under Section 489.119 of the Florida Statutes, to engage in contracting through a certified or registered general contractor or a certified or registered building contractor as the qualifying agent; or
 - (ii) Is certified under Section 471.023 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice engineering; certified under Section 481.219 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice architecture; or certified under Section 481.319 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice landscape architecture.
- "Design Criteria Package" means concise, performance-oriented drawings (f) or specifications for a public construction project. The purpose of the Design Criteria Package is to furnish sufficient information to permit Design-Build Firms to prepare a bid or a response to the District's Request for Proposals, or to permit the District to enter into a negotiated Design-Build Contract. The Design Criteria Package must specify performancebased criteria for the public construction project, including the legal description of the site, survey information concerning the site, interior space requirements, material quality standards, schematic layouts and conceptual design criteria of the project, cost or budget estimates, design and construction schedules, site development requirements, provisions for utilities, stormwater retention and disposal, and parking requirements applicable to the project. Design Criteria Packages shall require firms to submit information regarding the qualifications, availability, and past work of the firms, including the partners and members thereof.
- (g) "Design Criteria Professional" means a firm who holds a current certificate of registration under Chapter 481 of the Florida Statutes, to practice architecture or landscape architecture, or a firm who holds a current certificate as a registered engineer under Chapter 471 of the Florida Statutes, to practice engineering, and who is employed by or under contract to the District to provide professional architect services, landscape architect services, or engineering services in connection with the preparation of the Design Criteria Package.
- (h) "Emergency Purchase" means a purchase necessitated by a sudden unexpected turn of events (for example, acts of God, riot, fires, floods, hurricanes, accidents, or any circumstances or cause beyond the control of the Board in the normal conduct of its business), where the Board finds that the delay incident to competitive purchase would be detrimental to the interests of the District. This includes, but is not limited to, instances where

the time to competitively award the project will jeopardize the funding for the project, will materially increase the cost of the project, or will create an undue hardship on the public health, safety, or welfare.

- (i) "Invitation to Bid" is a written or electronically posted solicitation for sealed bids with the title, date, and hour of the public bid opening designated specifically and defining the commodity or service involved. It includes printed instructions prescribing conditions for bidding, qualification, evaluation criteria, and provides for a manual signature of an authorized representative. It may include one or more bid alternates.
- (j) "Invitation to Negotiate" means a written or electronically posted solicitation for competitive sealed replies to select one or more vendors with which to commence negotiations for the procurement of commodities or services.
- (k) "Negotiate" means to conduct legitimate, arm's length discussions and conferences to reach an agreement on a term or price.
- (l) "Professional Services" means those services within the scope of the practice of architecture, professional engineering, landscape architecture, or registered surveying and mapping, as defined by the laws of Florida, or those services performed by any architect, professional engineer, landscape architect, or registered surveyor and mapper, in connection with the firm's or individual's professional employment or practice.
- (m) "Proposal (or Reply or Response) Most Advantageous to the District" means, as determined in the sole discretion of the Board, the proposal, reply, or response that is:
 - (i) Submitted by a person or firm capable and qualified in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, who has the integrity and reliability to assure good faith performance;
 - (ii) The most responsive to the Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation as determined by the Board; and
 - (iii) For a cost to the District deemed by the Board to be reasonable.
- (n) "Purchase" means acquisition by sale, rent, lease, lease/purchase, or installment sale. It does not include transfer, sale, or exchange of goods, supplies, or materials between the District and any federal, state, regional or local governmental entity or political subdivision of the State of Florida.

- (o) "Request for Proposals" or "RFP" is a written or electronically posted solicitation for sealed proposals with the title, date, and hour of the public opening designated and requiring the manual signature of an authorized representative. It may provide general information, applicable laws and rules, statement of work, functional or general specifications, qualifications, proposal instructions, work detail analysis, and evaluation criteria as necessary.
- (p) "Responsive and Responsible Bidder" means an entity or individual that has submitted a bid that conforms in all material respects to the Invitation to Bid and has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance. "Responsive and Responsible Vendor" means an entity or individual that has submitted a proposal, reply, or response that conforms in all material respects to the Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation and has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance. In determining whether an entity or individual is a Responsive and Responsible Bidder (or Vendor), the District may consider, in addition to factors described in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, the following:
 - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by the entity/individual;
 - (ii) The past performance of the entity/individual for the District and in other professional employment;
 - (iii) The willingness of the entity/individual to meet time and budget requirements;
 - (iv) The geographic location of the entity's/individual's headquarters or office in relation to the project;
 - (v) The recent, current, and projected workloads of the entity/individual;
 - (vi) The volume of work previously awarded to the entity/individual, provided that for a public works project as defined in Section 255.0992, *Florida Statutes*, the District may not penalize a bidder for performing a larger volume of construction work for the District or reward a bidder for performing a smaller volume of construction work for the District:

- (vii) Whether the cost components of the bid or proposal are appropriately balanced; and
- (viii) Whether the entity/individual is a certified minority business enterprise as defined in Section 287.0943, *Florida Statutes*.
- (q) "Responsive Bid," "Responsive Proposal," "Responsive Reply," and "Responsive Response" all mean a bid, proposal, reply, or response which conforms in all material respects to the specifications and conditions in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation document and these Rules, and the cost components of which, if any, are appropriately balanced. A bid, proposal, reply or response is not responsive if the person or firm submitting it fails to meet any material requirement relating to the qualifications, financial stability, or licensing of the bidder.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 190.033, 255.0992, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.1 Procedure Under the Consultants' Competitive Negotiations Act.

- (1) Scope. The following procedures are adopted for the selection of firms or individuals to provide Professional Services exceeding the thresholds herein described, for the negotiation of such contracts, and to provide for protest of actions of the Board under this Rule. As used in this Rule, "Project" means that fixed capital outlay study or planning activity when basic construction cost is estimated by the District to exceed the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FIVE, or for a planning study activity when the fee for Professional Services is estimated by the District to exceed the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO, as such categories may be amended or adjusted from time to time.
- (2) <u>Qualifying Procedures.</u> In order to be eligible to provide Professional Services to the District, a consultant must, at the time of receipt of the firm's qualification submittal:
 - (a) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (b) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (c) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the consultant is a corporation; and
 - (d) Meet any qualification requirements set forth in the District's Request for Qualifications.

Evidence of compliance with this Rule may be submitted with the qualifications, if requested by the District. In addition, evidence of compliance must be submitted any time requested by the District.

(3) Public Announcement. Except in cases of valid public emergencies as certified by the Board, the District shall announce each occasion when Professional Services are required for a Project or a Continuing Contract by publishing a notice providing a general description of the Project, or the nature of the Continuing Contract, and the method for interested consultants to apply for consideration. The notice shall appear in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the District and in such other places as the District deems appropriate. The notice must allow at least fourteen (14) days for submittal of qualifications from the date of publication. The District may maintain lists of consultants interested in receiving such notices. These consultants are encouraged to submit annually statements of qualifications and performance data. The District shall make reasonable efforts to provide copies of any notices to such consultants, but the failure to do so shall not give such consultants any bid protest or other rights or otherwise disqualify any otherwise valid procurement process. The Board has the right to reject any and all

qualifications, and such reservation shall be included in the published notice. Consultants not receiving a contract award shall not be entitled to recover from the District any costs of qualification package preparation or submittal.

(4) <u>Competitive Selection.</u>

- (a) The Board shall review and evaluate the data submitted in response to the notice described in section (3) of this Rule regarding qualifications and performance ability, as well as any statements of qualifications on file. The Board shall conduct discussions with, and may require public presentation by consultants regarding their qualifications, approach to the Project, and ability to furnish the required services. The Board shall then select and list the consultants, in order of preference, deemed to be the most highly capable and qualified to perform the required Professional Services, after considering these and other appropriate criteria:
 - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by each consultant;
 - (ii) Whether a consultant is a certified minority business enterprise;
 - (iii) Each consultant's past performance;
 - (iv) The willingness of each consultant to meet time and budget requirements;
 - (v) The geographic location of each consultant's headquarters, office and personnel in relation to the project;
 - (vi) The recent, current, and projected workloads of each consultant; and
 - (vii) The volume of work previously awarded to each consultant by the District.
- (b) Nothing in these Rules shall prevent the District from evaluating and eventually selecting a consultant if less than three (3) Responsive qualification packages, including packages indicating a desire not to provide Professional Services on a given Project, are received.
- (c) If the selection process is administered by any person or committee other than the full Board, the selection made will be presented to the full Board with a recommendation that competitive negotiations be instituted with the selected firms in order of preference listed.
- (d) Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all qualification packages, shall be provided in writing to all consultants

by United States Mail, hand delivery, electronic mail, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's ranking decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

(5) <u>Competitive Negotiation.</u>

- (a) After the Board has authorized the beginning of competitive negotiations, the District may begin such negotiations with the firm listed as most qualified to perform the required Professional Services at a rate or amount of compensation which the Board determines is fair, competitive, and reasonable.
- (b) In negotiating a lump-sum or cost-plus-a-fixed-fee professional contract for more than the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, the firm receiving the award shall be required to execute a truth-in-negotiation certificate stating that "wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time of contracting." In addition, any professional service contract under which such a certificate is required, shall contain a provision that "the original contract price and any additions thereto, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Board determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent wage rates and other factual unit costs."
- (c) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the firm determined to be the most qualified at a price deemed by the District to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the District shall immediately begin negotiations with the second most qualified firm. If a satisfactory agreement with the second firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third most qualified firm shall be undertaken.
- (d) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with one of the top three (3) ranked consultants, additional firms shall be selected by the District, in order of their competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- (6) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.

- (7) Continuing Contract. Nothing in this Rule shall prohibit a Continuing Contract between a consultant and the District.
- Emergency Purchase. The District may make an Emergency Purchase without (8) complying with these Rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.011(3), 190.033, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.2 Procedure Regarding Auditor Selection.

In order to comply with the requirements of Section 218.391 of the Florida Statutes, the following procedures are outlined for selection of firms or individuals to provide Auditing Services and for the negotiation of such contracts. For audits required under Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes but not meeting the thresholds of Chapter 218 of the Florida Statutes, the District need not follow these procedures but may proceed with the selection of a firm or individual to provide Auditing Services and for the negotiation of such contracts in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District.

(1) <u>Definitions.</u>

- (a) "Auditing Services" means those services within the scope of the practice of a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.
- (b) "Committee" means the auditor selection committee appointed by the Board as described in section (2) of this Rule.
- (2) <u>Establishment of Auditor Selection Committee.</u> Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Board shall establish an auditor selection committee ("Committee"), the primary purpose of which is to assist the Board in selecting an auditor to conduct the annual financial audit required by Section 218.39 of the Florida Statutes. The Committee shall include at least three individuals, at least one of which must also be a member of the Board. The establishment and selection of the Committee must be conducted at a publicly noticed and held meeting of the Board. The Chairperson of the Committee must be a member of the Board. An employee, a chief executive officer, or a chief financial officer of the District may not serve as a member of the Committee; provided however such individual may serve the Committee in an advisory capacity.
- (3) Establishment of Minimum Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Committee shall meet at a publicly noticed meeting to establish minimum qualifications and factors to use for the evaluation of Auditing Services to be provided by a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.
 - (a) <u>Minimum Qualifications.</u> In order to be eligible to submit a proposal, a firm must, at all relevant times including the time of receipt of the proposal by the District:

- (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
- (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the proposer is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any pre-qualification requirements established by the Committee and set forth in the RFP or other specifications.

If requested in the RFP or other specifications, evidence of compliance with the minimum qualifications as established by the Committee must be submitted with the proposal.

- (b) Evaluation Criteria. The factors established for the evaluation of Auditing Services by the Committee shall include, but are not limited to:
 - (i) Ability of personnel;
 - (ii) Experience;
 - (iii) Ability to furnish the required services; and
 - (iv) Such other factors as may be determined by the Committee to be applicable to its particular requirements.

The Committee may also choose to consider compensation as a factor. If the Committee establishes compensation as one of the factors, compensation shall not be the sole or predominant factor used to evaluate proposals.

- (4) <u>Public Announcement.</u> After identifying the factors to be used in evaluating the proposals for Auditing Services as set forth in section (3) of this Rule, the Committee shall publicly announce the opportunity to provide Auditing Services. Such public announcement shall include a brief description of the audit and how interested firms can apply for consideration and obtain the RFP. The notice shall appear in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the District and the county in which the District is located. The public announcement shall allow for at least seven (7) days for the submission of proposals.
- (5) Request for Proposals. The Committee shall provide interested firms with a Request for Proposals ("RFP"). The RFP shall provide information on how proposals are to be evaluated and such other information the Committee determines is necessary for the firm to prepare a proposal. The RFP shall state the time and

place for submitting proposals.

(6) Committee's Evaluation of Proposals and Recommendation. The Committee shall meet at a publicly held meeting that is publicly noticed at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting to evaluate all qualified proposals and may, as part of the evaluation, require that each interested firm provide a public presentation where the Committee may conduct discussions with the firm, and where the firm may present information, regarding the firm's qualifications. At the public meeting, the Committee shall rank and recommend in order of preference no fewer than three firms deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services after considering the factors established pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this Rule. If fewer than three firms respond to the RFP or if no firms respond to the RFP, the Committee shall recommend such firm as it deems to be the most highly qualified. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may recommend that any and all proposals be rejected.

(7) Board Selection of Auditor.

- (a) Where compensation was not selected as a factor used in evaluating the proposals, the Board shall negotiate with the firm ranked first and inquire of that firm as to the basis of compensation. If the Board is unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the first ranked firm at a price deemed by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the Board shall immediately begin negotiations with the second ranked firm. satisfactory agreement with the second ranked firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third ranked firm shall be undertaken. The Board may reopen formal negotiations with any one of the three top-ranked firms, but it may not negotiate with more than one firm at a time. If the Board is unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with any of the selected firms, the Committee shall recommend additional firms in order of the firms' respective competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- (b) Where compensation was selected as a factor used in evaluating the proposals, the Board shall select the highest-ranked qualified firm or document in its public records the reason for not selecting the highest-ranked qualified firm.
- (c) In negotiations with firms under this Rule, the Board may allow the District Manager, District Counsel, or other designee to conduct negotiations on its behalf.

- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may reject any or all proposals. The Board shall not consider any proposal, or enter into any contract for Auditing Services, unless the proposed agreed-upon compensation is reasonable to satisfy the requirements of Section 218.39 of the Florida Statutes, and the needs of the District.
- (8) <u>Contract.</u> Any agreement reached under this Rule shall be evidenced by a written contract, which may take the form of an engagement letter signed and executed by both parties. The written contract shall include all provisions and conditions of the procurement of such services and shall include, at a minimum, the following:
 - (a) A provision specifying the services to be provided and fees or other compensation for such services;
 - (b) A provision requiring that invoices for fees or other compensation be submitted in sufficient detail to demonstrate compliance with the terms of the contract;
 - (c) A provision setting forth deadlines for the auditor to submit a preliminary draft audit report to the District for review and to submit a final audit report no later than June 30 of the fiscal year that follows the fiscal year for which the audit is being conducted;
 - (d) A provision specifying the contract period, including renewals, and conditions under which the contract may be terminated or renewed. The maximum contract period including renewals shall be five (5) years. A renewal may be done without the use of the auditor selection procedures provided in this Rule but must be in writing.
 - (e) Provisions required by law that require the auditor to comply with public records laws.
- (9) Notice of Award. Once a negotiated agreement with a firm or individual is reached, or the Board authorizes the execution of an agreement with a firm where compensation was a factor in the evaluation of proposals, notice of the intent to award, including the rejection of some or all proposals, shall be provided in writing to all proposers by United States Mail, hand delivery, electronic mail, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests regarding the award of contracts under this Rule shall be as provided for in Rule 3.11. No proposer shall be entitled to recover any costs of proposal preparation or submittal from the District.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 218.33, 218.391, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.3 Purchase of Insurance.

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> The purchases of life, health, accident, hospitalization, legal expense, or annuity insurance, or all of any kinds of such insurance for the officers and employees of the District, and for health, accident, hospitalization, and legal expenses upon a group insurance plan by the District, shall be governed by this Rule. This Rule does not apply to the purchase of any other type of insurance by the District, including but not limited to liability insurance, property insurance, and directors and officers insurance. Nothing in this Rule shall require the District to purchase insurance.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> For a purchase of insurance within the scope of these Rules, the following procedure shall be followed:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared a Notice of Invitation to Bid.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District. The notice shall allow at least fourteen (14) days for submittal of bids.
 - (c) The District may maintain a list of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid. The District shall make reasonable efforts to provide copies of any notices to such persons, but the failure to do so shall not give such consultants any bid protest or other rights or otherwise disqualify any otherwise valid procurement process.
 - (d) Bids shall be opened at the time and place noted in the Invitation to Bid.
 - (e) If only one (1) response to an Invitation is received, the District may proceed with the purchase. If no response to an Invitation to Bid is received, the District may take whatever steps are reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the purchase.
 - (f) The Board has the right to reject any and all bids and such reservations shall be included in all solicitations and advertisements.
 - (g) Simultaneously with the review of the submitted bids, the District may undertake negotiations with those companies that have submitted reasonable and timely bids and, in the opinion of the District, are fully qualified and capable of meeting all services and requirements. Bid responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the specifications and criteria contained in the Invitation to Bid; in addition, the total cost to the District, the cost, if any, to the District officers, employees, or their dependents, relevant business presence and capability to service the District's needs, and the ability of the company to guarantee premium stability may be considered. A contract to purchase insurance shall be

awarded to that company whose response to the Invitation to Bid best meets the overall needs of the District, its officers, employees, and/or dependents.

(h) Notice of the intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, shall be provided in writing to all bidders by United States Mail, by hand delivery, or by overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's procurement of insurance under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 112.08, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.4 Pre-qualification

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> In its discretion, the District may undertake a pre-qualification process in accordance with this Rule for vendors to provide construction services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When the District seeks to pre-qualify vendors, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared a Request for Qualifications.
 - (b) For construction services exceeding the thresholds described in Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, the Board must advertise the proposed prequalification criteria and procedures and allow at least seven (7) days' notice of the public hearing for comments on such pre-qualification criteria and procedures. At such public hearing, potential vendors may object to such pre-qualification criteria and procedures. Following such public hearing, the Board shall formally adopt pre-qualification criteria and procedures prior to the advertisement of the Request for Qualifications for construction services.
 - (c) The Request for Qualifications shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of qualifications for goods, supplies and materials, Contractual Services, maintenance services, and construction services under two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of qualifications for construction services estimated to cost over two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) and thirty (30) days for construction services estimated to cost over five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).
 - (d) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Requests for Qualifications. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any pre-qualification determination or contract awarded in accordance with these Rules and shall not be a basis for a protest of any pre-qualification determination or contract award.
 - (e) If the District has pre-qualified vendors for a particular category of purchase, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies or responses in response to the applicable Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

- (f) In order to be eligible to submit qualifications, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the qualifications:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
 - (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Request for Qualifications.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the qualifications if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the qualifications.

- (g) Qualifications shall be presented to the Board, or a committee appointed by the Board, for evaluation in accordance with the Request for Qualifications and this Rule. Minor variations in the qualifications may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature.
- (h) All vendors determined by the District to meet the pre-qualification requirements shall be pre-qualified. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the requirements contained in a Request for Qualifications, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of qualifications. For construction services, any contractor pre-qualified and considered eligible by the Department of Transportation to bid to perform the type of work the project entails shall be presumed to be qualified to perform the project.
- (i) The Board shall have the right to reject all qualifications if there are not enough to be competitive or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of qualification preparation or submittal from the District.
- (j) Notice of intent to pre-qualify, including rejection of some or all qualifications, shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall

include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's prequalification decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11; provided however, protests related to the pre-qualification criteria and procedures for construction services shall be resolved in accordance with section (2)(b) of this Rule and Section 255.20(1)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

(3) Suspension, Revocation, or Denial of Qualification

- (a) The District, for good cause, may deny, suspend, or revoke a prequalified vendor's pre-qualified status. A suspension, revocation, or denial for good cause shall prohibit the vendor from bidding on any District construction contract for which qualification is required, shall constitute a determination of non-responsibility to bid on any other District construction or maintenance contract, and shall prohibit the vendor from acting as a material supplier or subcontractor on any District contract or project during the period of suspension, revocation, or denial. Good cause shall include the following:
 - i. One of the circumstances specified under Section 337.16(2), *Florida Statutes*, has occurred.
 - ii. Affiliated contractors submitted more than one proposal for the same work. In this event the pre-qualified status of all of the affiliated bidders will be revoked, suspended, or denied. All bids of affiliated bidders will be rejected.
 - iii. The vendor made or submitted false, deceptive, or fraudulent statements, certifications, or materials in any claim for payment or any information required by any District contract.
 - iv. The vendor or its affiliate defaulted on any contract or a contract surety assumed control of financial responsibility for any contract of the vendor.
 - v. The vendor's qualification to bid is suspended, revoked, or denied by any other public or semi-public entity, or the vendor has been the subject of a civil enforcement proceeding or settlement involving a public or semi-public entity.
 - vi. The vendor failed to comply with contract or warranty requirements or failed to follow District direction in the performance of a contract.
 - vii. The vendor failed to timely furnish all contract documents required by the contract specifications, special provisions, or by any state or federal statutes or regulations. If the vendor fails to furnish any of the subject contract documents by the expiration of the period of suspension, revocation, or denial set forth above, the vendor's pre-qualified status

- shall remain suspended, revoked, or denied until the documents are furnished.
- viii. The vendor failed to notify the District within 10 days of the vendor, or any of its affiliates, being declared in default or otherwise not completing work on a contract or being suspended from qualification to bid or denied qualification to bid by any other public or semi-public agency.
- ix. The vendor did not pay its subcontractors or suppliers in a timely manner or in compliance with contract documents.
- x. The vendor has demonstrated instances of poor or unsatisfactory performance, deficient management resulting in project delay, poor quality workmanship, a history of payment of liquidated damages, untimely completion of projects, uncooperative attitude, contract litigation, inflated claims or defaults.
- xi. An affiliate of the vendor has previously been determined by the District to be non-responsible, and the specified period of suspension, revocation, denial, or non-responsibility remains in effect.
- xii. The vendor or affiliate(s) has been convicted of a contract crime.
 - 1. The term "contract crime" means any violation of state or federal antitrust laws with respect to a public contract or any violation of any state or federal law involving fraud, bribery, collusion, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation with respect to a public contract.
 - 2. The term "convicted" or "conviction" means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a contract crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- xiii. Any other circumstance constituting "good cause" under Section 337.16(2), *Florida Statutes*, exists.
- (b) The pre-qualified status of a contractor found delinquent under Section 337.16(1), *Florida Statutes*, shall be denied, suspended, or revoked. A denial, suspension, or revocation shall prohibit the vendor from being a subcontractor on District work during the period of denial, suspension, or revocation, except when a prime contractor's bid has used prices of a subcontractor who becomes disqualified after the bid, but before the request for authorization to sublet is presented.
- (c) The District shall inform the vendor in writing of its intent to deny, suspend, or

revoke its pre-qualified status and inform the vendor of its right to a hearing, the procedure which must be followed, and the applicable time limits. If a hearing is requested within ten (10) days after the receipt of the notice of intent, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days after receipt by the District of the request for the hearing. The decision shall be issued in writing within fifteen (15) business days after the hearing.

- (d) Such suspension or revocation shall not affect the vendor's obligations under any preexisting contract.
- (e) If a contractor's pre-qualified status is revoked, suspended, or denied and the contractor receives an additional period of revocation, suspension, or denial of its pre-qualified status, the time periods will run consecutively.
- (f) In the case of contract crimes, the vendor's pre-qualified status under this Rule shall be revoked indefinitely. For all violations of Rule 3.4(3)(a) other than for the vendor's conviction for contract crimes, the revocation, denial, or suspension of a vendor's pre-qualified status under this Rule shall be for a specific period of time based on the seriousness of the deficiency.

Examples of factors affecting the seriousness of a deficiency are:

- i. Impacts on project schedule, cost, or quality of work;
- ii. Unsafe conditions allowed to exist;
- iii. Complaints from the public;
- iv. Delay or interference with the bidding process;
- v. The potential for repetition;
- vi. Integrity of the public contracting process;
- vii. Effect on the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- (g) The District shall deny or revoke the pre-qualified status of any contractor and its affiliates for a period of 36 months when it is determined by the District that the contractor has, subsequent to January 1, 1978, been convicted of a contract crime within the jurisdiction of any state or federal court. Any such contractor shall not act as a prime contractor, material supplier, subcontractor, or consultant on any District contract or project during the period of denial or revocation.

(4) Reapplication and Reinstatement

(a) A contractor whose qualification to bid has been revoked or denied because of contract crime may, at any time after revocation or denial, file a petition for

reapplication or reinstatement. However, a contractor may not petition for reapplication or reinstatement for a period of 24 months after revocation or denial for a subsequent conviction occurring within 10 years of a previous denial or revocation for contract crime.

- (b) If the petition for reapplication or reinstatement is denied, the contractor cannot petition for a subsequent hearing for a period of nine months following the date of the final order of revocation or denial.
- (c) If the petition for reapplication or reinstatement is granted, the contractor must file a current Application for Qualification with the Contracts Administration Office. Reinstatement shall not be effective until issuance of a Certificate of Qualification.

(5) <u>Emergency Suspension and Revocation</u>

- (a) The District may summarily issue an emergency suspension of a contractor's qualification to bid if it finds that imminent danger exists to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- (b) The written notice of emergency suspension shall state the specific facts and reasons for finding an imminent danger to the public health, safety, or welfare exists.
- (c) The District, within 10 days of the emergency suspension, shall initiate formal suspension or revocation proceedings in compliance with Rule 3.4(3), except the 10-day notice requirement shall not be construed to prevent a hearing at the earliest time practicable upon request of the aggrieved party.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 190.033, 255.0525, 255.20, Fla. Stat.; §§ 14-22.012, 14-22.0121, 14-22.014, Fla. Admin. Code.

Rule 3.5 Construction Contracts, Not Design-Build.

- (1) Scope. All contracts for the construction or improvement of any building, structure, or other public construction works authorized by Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, the costs of which are estimated by the District in accordance with generally accepted cost accounting principles to be in excess of the threshold amount for applicability of Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, as that amount may be indexed or amended from time to time, shall be let under the terms of these Rules and the procedures of Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time. A project shall not be divided solely to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of construction services is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and in the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of sealed bids, proposals, replies, or responses, unless the Board, for good cause, determines a shorter period of time is appropriate. Any project projected to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be noticed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses. If the Board has previously pre-qualified contractors pursuant to Rule 3.4 and determined that only the contractors that have been pre-qualified will be permitted to submit bids, proposals, replies, and responses, the Notice of Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation need not be published. Instead, the Notice of Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be sent to the pre-qualified contractors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service.
 - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.

- (d) If the District has pre-qualified providers of construction services, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, or responses to Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations.
- (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the bidder is a corporation; and
 - (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Any contractor that has been found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction of any violation of federal labor or employment tax laws regarding subjects including but not limited to, reemployment assistance, safety, tax withholding, worker's compensation, unemployment tax, social security and Medicare tax, wage or hour, or prevailing rate laws within the past five (5) years shall be deemed ineligible by the District to submit a bid, response, or proposal for a District project.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply, or response, if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

(f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses, or the portions of which that include the price, shall be publicly opened at a meeting noticed in accordance with Rule 1.3, and at which at least one district representative is present. The name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid shall be announced at such meeting and shall be made available upon request. Minutes should be taken at the meeting and maintained by the District. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation and these Rules. Minor variations in the bids,

proposals, replies, or responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board, provided such corrections do not result in a material change to the bid amount or create an unfair advantage. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.

- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder in response to an Invitation to Bid shall be accepted. In relation to a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, the Board shall select the Responsive Proposal, Reply, or Response submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Vendor which is most advantageous to the District. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, and responses.
- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No contractor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, response, or reply preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require potential contractors to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses, shall be provided in writing to all contractors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's purchase of construction services under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase construction services or may reject the

bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of construction services, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the construction services without further competitive selection processes.

- (3) <u>Sole Source; Government.</u> Construction services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Construction services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of construction services, which may include goods, supplies, or materials, that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules. A contract for construction services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
- (4) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (5) Emergency Purchases. The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules only when there exists an immediate and serious need for construction services that cannot be met through normal procurement methods and the lack of such services would seriously threaten: (i) the District's ability to perform essential services; (ii) the preservation or protection of property or improvements; or (iii) the health, safety, or welfare of any person. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary, along with a detailed description of the basis for the emergency determination, shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board Meeting.
- (6) <u>Exceptions.</u> This Rule is inapplicable when:
 - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
 - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
 - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contract; or
 - (d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board

that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 189.053, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.6 Construction Contracts, Design-Build.

(1) <u>Scope.</u> The District may utilize Design-Build Contracts for any public construction project for which the Board determines that use of such contract is in the best interest of the District. When letting a Design-Build Contract, the District shall use the following procedure:

(2) <u>Procedure.</u>

- (a) The District shall utilize a Design Criteria Professional meeting the requirements of Section 287.055(2)(k) of the Florida Statutes, when developing a Design Criteria Package, evaluating the proposals and qualifications submitted by Design-Build Firms, and determining compliance of the project construction with the Design Criteria Package. The Design Criteria Professional may be an employee of the District, may be the District Engineer selected by the District pursuant to Section 287.055 of the Florida Statutes, or may be retained pursuant to Rule 3.1. The Design Criteria Professional is not eligible to render services under a Design-Build Contract executed pursuant to the Design Criteria Package.
- (b) A Design Criteria Package for the construction project shall be prepared and sealed by the Design Criteria Professional. If the project utilizes existing plans, the Design Criteria Professional shall create a Design Criteria Package by supplementing the plans with project specific requirements, if any.
- (c) The Board may either choose to award the Design-Build Contract pursuant to the competitive proposal selection process set forth in Section 287.055(9) of the Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the qualifications-based selection process pursuant to Rule 3.1.
 - (i) <u>Qualifications-Based Selection.</u> If the process set forth in Rule 3.1 is utilized, subsequent to competitive negotiations, a guaranteed maximum price and guaranteed completion date shall be established.
 - (ii) <u>Competitive Proposal-Based Selection.</u> If the competitive proposal selection process is utilized, the Board, in consultation with the Design Criteria Professional, shall establish the criteria, standards

and procedures for the evaluation of Design-Build Proposals based on price, technical, and design aspects of the project, weighted for the project. After a Design Criteria Package and the standards and procedures for evaluation of proposals have been developed, competitive proposals from qualified firms shall be solicited pursuant to the design criteria by the following procedure:

- 1. A Request for Proposals shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located. The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of sealed proposals, unless the Board, for good cause, determines a shorter period of time is appropriate. Any project projected to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be noticed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date for submittal of proposals.
- 2. The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Requests for Proposals. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
- 3. In order to be eligible to submit a proposal, a firm must, at the time of receipt of the proposals:
 - a. Hold the required applicable state professional licenses in good standing, as defined by Section 287.055(2)(h) of the Florida Statutes;
 - b. Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - c. Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the proposer is a corporation;
 - d. Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Request for Proposals and Design Criteria Package.

Any contractor that has been found guilty by a court of any violation of federal labor or employment tax laws regarding subjects including but not limited to reemployment assistance, safety, tax withholding, worker's compensation, unemployment tax, social security and Medicare tax, wage or hour, or prevailing rate laws within the past five (5) years may be considered ineligible by the District to submit a bid, response, or proposal for a District project.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the proposal if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the proposal.

- The proposals, or the portions of which that include the 4. price, shall be publicly opened at a meeting noticed in accordance with Rule 1.3, and at which at least one district representative is present. The name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid shall be announced at such meeting and shall be made available upon request. Minutes should be taken at the meeting and maintained by the In consultation with the Design Criteria District. Professional, the Board shall evaluate the proposals received based on evaluation criteria and procedures established prior to the solicitation of proposals, including but not limited to qualifications, availability, and past work of the firms and the partners and members thereof. The Board shall then select no fewer than three (3) Design-Build Firms as the most qualified.
- 5. The Board shall have the right to reject all proposals if the proposals are too high, or rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of proposal preparation or submittal from the District.
- 6. If less than three (3) Responsive Proposals are received, the District may purchase design-build services or may reject the proposals for lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Proposals are received, the District may proceed with the procurement of design-build services in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the design-build services without further competitive selection processes.

- 7. Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all proposals, shall be provided in writing to all consultants by United States Mail, hand delivery, electronic mail, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's rankings under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- 8. The Board shall negotiate a contract with the firm ranking the highest based on the evaluation standards and shall establish a price which the Board determines is fair, competitive and reasonable. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the second most qualified firm, based on the ranking by the evaluation standards. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the second most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the third most qualified firm. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the third most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with any of the selected firms, the Board shall select additional firms in order of their rankings based on the evaluation standards and continue negotiations until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- 9. After the Board contracts with a firm, the firm shall bring to the Board for approval, detailed working drawings of the project.
- 10. The Design Criteria Professional shall evaluate the compliance of the detailed working drawings and project construction with the Design Criteria Package and shall provide the Board with a report of the same.

- (3) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (4) Emergency Purchase. The Board may, in case of public emergency, declare an emergency and immediately proceed with negotiations with the best qualified Design-Build Firm available at the time. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.
- (5) <u>Exceptions.</u> This Rule is inapplicable when:
 - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
 - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
 - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contractor; or
 - (d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 189.053, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.7 Payment and Performance Bonds.

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> This Rule shall apply to contracts for the construction of a public building, for the prosecution and completion of a public work, or for repairs upon a public building or public work and shall be construed in addition to terms prescribed by any other Rule that may also apply to such contracts.
- (2) Required Bond. Upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule in excess of \$200,000, the Board should require that the contractor, before commencing the work, execute and record a payment and performance bond in an amount equal to the contract price. Notwithstanding the terms of the contract or any other law, the District may not make payment to the contractor until the contractor has provided to the District a certified copy of the recorded bond.
- (3) <u>Discretionary Bond.</u> At the discretion of the Board, upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule for an amount not exceeding \$200,000, the contractor may be exempted from executing a payment and performance bond.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 255.05, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.8 Goods, Supplies, and Materials.

- (1) <u>Purpose and Scope.</u> All purchases of goods, supplies, or materials exceeding the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, shall be purchased under the terms of this Rule. Contracts for purchases of "goods, supplies, and materials" do not include printing, insurance, advertising, or legal notices. A contract involving goods, supplies, or materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of goods, supplies, or materials is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
 - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
 - (d) If the District has pre-qualified suppliers of goods, supplies, and materials, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
 - (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;

- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply or response if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

Any firm or individual whose principal place of business is outside the State of Florida must also submit a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that foreign state to business entities whose principal places of business are in that foreign state, in the letting of any or all public contracts. Failure to submit such a written opinion or submission of a false or misleading written opinion may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

- (f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be publicly opened at the time and place noted on the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, and this Rule. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, or responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.
- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid, after taking into account the preferences provided for in this subsection, submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder in response to an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be accepted. If the lowest Responsive Bid is submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder whose principal place of business is located in a foreign state which does not grant a preference in competitive purchase to businesses whose principal place of business are in that foreign state, the lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder whose principal place of business is in the State of

Florida shall be awarded a preference of five percent (5%). If the lowest Responsive Bid is submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder whose principal place of business is located in a foreign state which grants a preference in competitive purchase to businesses whose principal place of business are in that foreign state, the lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder whose principal place of business is in the State of Florida shall be awarded a preference equal to the preference granted by such foreign state.

To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, and responses.

- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, reply, or response preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require bidders and proposers to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's purchase of goods, supplies, and materials under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase goods, supplies, or materials, or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of goods, supplies, and materials, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the goods, supplies, and materials without further competitive selection processes.

- Goods, Supplies, and Materials included in a Construction Contract Awarded Pursuant to Rule 3.5 or 3.6. There may be occasions where the District has undergone the competitive purchase of construction services which contract may include the provision of goods, supplies, or materials. In that instance, the District may approve a change order to the contract and directly purchase the goods, supplies, and materials. Such purchase of goods, supplies, and materials deducted from a competitively purchased construction contract shall be exempt from this Rule.
- (4) Exemption. Goods, supplies, and materials that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Goods, supplies, and materials provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for goods, supplies, or materials is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of goods, supplies or materials that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules.
- (5) <u>Renewal.</u> Contracts for the purchase of goods, supplies, and/or materials subject to this Rule may be renewed for a maximum period of five (5) years.
- (6) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 189.053, 190.033, 287.017, 287.084, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.9 Maintenance Services.

- (1) Scope. All contracts for maintenance of any District facility or project shall be set under the terms of this Rule if the cost exceeds the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR. A contract involving goods, supplies, and materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of maintenance services is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
 - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
 - (d) If the District has pre-qualified suppliers of maintenance services, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, and responses.
 - (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;

- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply, or response if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

- (f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be publicly opened at the time and place noted on the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, and these Rules. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, and responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.
- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid submitted in response to an Invitation to Bid by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder shall be accepted. In relation to a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate or Competitive Solicitation the Board shall select the Responsive Proposal, Reply, or Response submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Vendor which is most advantageous to the District. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No Vendor shall be

- entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, reply, or response preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require bidders and proposers to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, , or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's procurement of maintenance services under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase the maintenance services or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of maintenance services, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the maintenance services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) <u>Exemptions.</u> Maintenance services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Maintenance services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for maintenance services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
- (4) <u>Renewal.</u> Contracts for the purchase of maintenance services subject to this Rule may be renewed for a maximum period of five (5) years.
- (5) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (6) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.033, Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.033, 287.017, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.10 Contractual Services.

- (1) Exemption from Competitive Purchase. Pursuant to Section 190.033(3) of the Florida Statutes, Contractual Services shall not be subject to competitive purchasing requirements. If an agreement is predominantly for Contractual Services, but also includes maintenance services or the purchase of goods and services, the contract shall not be subject to competitive purchasing requirements. Regardless of whether an advertisement or solicitation for Contractual Services is identified as an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, no rights or remedies under these Rules, including but not limited to protest rights, are conferred on persons, firms, or vendors proposing to provide Contractual Services to the District.
- (2) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract for Contractual Services shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.011(3), 190.033, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.11 Protests with Respect to Proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9.

The resolution of any protests with respect to proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9 shall be in accordance with this Rule.

(1) <u>Filing.</u>

- With respect to a protest regarding qualifications, specifications, (a) documentation, or other requirements contained in a Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Bid, or Competitive Solicitation issued by the District, the notice of protest shall be filed in writing within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the first advertisement of the Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Bid, or Competitive Solicitation. A formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. For purposes of this Rule, wherever applicable, filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District. Failure to file a notice of protest shall constitute a waiver of all rights to protest the District's intended decision. Failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute an abandonment of the protest proceedings and shall automatically terminate the protest proceedings.
- (b) Except for those situations covered by subsection (1)(a) of this Rule, any firm or person who is affected adversely by a District's ranking or intended award under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, or 3.9 and desires to contest the District's ranking or intended award, shall file with the District a written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after receipt of the notice of the District's ranking or intended award. A formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. For purposes of this Rule, wherever applicable, filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District. Failure to file a notice of protest shall constitute a waiver of all rights to protest the District's ranking or intended award. Failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute an abandonment of the protest proceedings and shall automatically terminate the protest proceedings.
- (c) If the requirement for the posting of a protest bond and the amount of the protest bond, which may be expressed by a percentage of the contract to be awarded or a set amount, is disclosed in the District's competitive solicitation documents for a particular purchase under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3,

- 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, or 3.9, any person who files a notice of protest must post the protest bond. The amount of the protest bond shall be determined by District staff after consultation with the Board and within the limits, if any, imposed by Florida law. In the event the protest is successful, the protest bond shall be refunded to the protestor. In the event the protest is unsuccessful, the protest bond shall be applied towards the District's costs, expenses, and attorney's fees associated with hearing and defending the protest. In the event the protest is settled by mutual agreement of the parties, the protest bond shall be distributed as agreed to by the District and protestor.
- (d) The District does not accept documents filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. Filings are only accepted during normal business hours, which are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
- (2) <u>Contract Execution.</u> Upon receipt of a notice of protest which has been timely filed, the District shall not execute the contract under protest until the subject of the protest is resolved. However, if the District sets forth in writing particular facts and circumstances showing that delay incident to protest proceedings will jeopardize the funding for the project, will materially increase the cost of the project, or will create an immediate and serious danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the contract may be executed.
- (3) <u>Informal Proceeding.</u> If the Board determines a protest does not involve a disputed issue of material fact, the Board may, but is not obligated to, schedule an informal proceeding to consider the protest. Such informal proceeding shall be at a time and place determined by the Board. Notice of such proceeding shall be sent via certified mail, hand delivery, or email with delivery confirmation to the protestor and any substantially affected persons or parties not less than three (3) calendar days prior to such informal proceeding. Within thirty (30) calendar days following the informal proceeding, the Board shall issue a written decision setting forth the factual, legal, and policy grounds for its decision.
- (4) <u>Formal Proceeding.</u> If the Board determines a protest involves disputed issues of material fact or if the Board elects not to use the informal proceeding process provided for in section (3) of this Rule, the District shall schedule a formal hearing to resolve the protest. The Chairperson shall designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other qualified person as a hearing officer to conduct the hearing. The hearing officer may:
 - (a) Administer oaths and affirmations;
 - (b) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
 - (c) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;

- (d) Enter orders; and
- (e) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.

The hearing officer shall, within thirty (30) days after the hearing or receipt of the hearing transcript, whichever is later, file a recommended order which shall include a caption, time and place of hearing, appearances entered at the hearing, statement of the issues, findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated, and a recommendation for final District action. The District shall allow each party fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of the recommended order in which to submit written exceptions to the recommended order. The District shall issue a final order within sixty (60) days after the filing of the recommended order.

- (5) <u>Intervenors.</u> Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors by filing a motion to intervene within 10 calendar days of the initial protest filing, on terms that shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- Rejection of all Qualifications, Bids, Proposals, Replies and Responses after Receipt of Notice of Protest. If the Board determines there was a violation of law, defect, or an irregularity in the competitive solicitation process, the Bids, Proposals, Replies, and Responses are too high, or if the Board determines it is otherwise in the District's best interest, the Board may reject all qualifications, bids, proposals, replies, and responses and start the competitive solicitation process anew. If the Board decides to reject all qualifications, bids, proposals, replies, and responses and start the competitive solicitation process anew, any pending protests shall automatically terminate.
- (7) <u>Settlement.</u> Nothing herein shall preclude the settlement of any protest under this Rule at any time.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 190.033, Fla. Stat.

Rule 4.0 Effective Date.

These Rules shall be effective December 16, 2025, except that no election of officers required by these Rules shall be required until after the next regular election for the Board.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

SECTION B

SECTION i

RESOLUTION 2026-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING AMENDED RULES RELATING TO OVERNIGHT PARKING AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the North Boulevard Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated entirely within Polk County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, authorizes the District to adopt resolutions as may be necessary for the conduct of district business; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District ("**Board**") is authorized by Sections 190.011(5) and 190.035, *Florida Statutes*, to adopt rules, orders, policies, rates, fees and charges pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the District previously adopted its *Rules Relating to Parking Enforcement*, as amended ("**Policy**") pursuant to the provisions of Sections 190.011(5) and 190.035, *Florida Statutes*, and Chapter 120, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the District has properly noticed for rule development and rulemaking regarding the Policy and a public hearing was held at a meeting of the Board on December 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the District now desires to adopt amended *Rules Relating to Parking Enforcement* ("Amended Policy"); and

WHEREAS, the Amended Policy repeals and supersedes all prior rules and/or policies governing the same subject matter; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution the Amended Policy for immediate use and application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1.** The recitals stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated herein.
 - **SECTION 2.** The District hereby adopts the Amended Policy, attached hereto as **Exhibit A.**
- **SECTION 3.** If any provision of this Resolution or the Amended Policy is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- **SECTION 4.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2025.

ATTEST:		NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary		Chairperson, Board of Supervisors
Exhibit A:	Amended Rules Relating to	Parking Enforcement

NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AMENDED AND RESTATED RULES RELATING TO PARKING ENFORCEMENT

In accordance with Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and on December 16, 2025, at a duly noticed public meeting, the Board of Supervisors of the North Boulevard Community Development District ("District") adopted the following policy to govern parking and parking enforcement on certain District property (the "Rule" or "Policy"). This Rule repeals and supersedes all prior rules and/or policies governing the same subject matter.

SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION. The District finds that parked Commercial Vehicles, Vehicles, Vessels and Recreational Vehicles (hereinafter defined) on certain of its property (hereinafter defined) cause hazards and danger to the health, safety and welfare of District residents, paid users and the public. This policy is intended to provide the District's residents and paid users with a means to park Vehicles onstreet in certain designated parking areas and remove such Commercial Vehicles, Vessels and Recreational Vehicles from District designated Tow-Away Zones consistent with this Policy and as indicated on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

- A. Commercial Vehicle. Any mobile item which normally uses wheels, whether motorized or not, that (i) is titled, registered or leased to a company and not an individual person, or (ii) is used for business purposes even if titled, registered or leased to an individual person.
- **B.** Designated Parking Areas. Areas which have been explicitly approved for parking by the District, including areas indicated by asphalt markings and areas designated on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- *C. Vehicle(s)*. Any mobile item which normally uses wheels, whether motorized or not. For purposes of this Policy, unless otherwise specified, any use of the term Vehicle(s) shall be interpreted so as to include Commercial Vehicle(s), Vessel(s), and Recreational Vessel(s).
- **D.** Vessel(s). Every description of watercraft, barge, or airboat used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water.
- **E.** Recreational Vehicle(s). A vehicle designed for recreational use, which includes motor homes, campers and trailers relative to same.
- **F.** Parked. A Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle left unattended by its owner or user.
- **G.** Tow-Away Zone. District property in which parking is prohibited and in which the District is authorized to initiate a towing and/or removal action. Any District property not designated as a designated parking area is a Tow Away Zone.
- **H.** *Mailbox Parking*. Spots designated for mail pick up.

SECTION 3. DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS. On street parking is only authorized on the odd numbered side of the street (as indicated by address numbers). On street parking is expressly prohibited on the even numbered side of the street (as indicated by address numbers).

The even numbered side of the street (as indicated by address numbers) and those areas within the District's boundaries depicted in **Exhibit A**, which is incorporated herein by reference, are hereby established as "Tow-Away Zones" for all Vehicles, including Commercial Vehicles, Vessels, Recreational Vehicles as set forth in Sections 4 and 5 herein ("Tow Away Zone"). On-street parking is expressly prohibited on District roadways except where indicated. Any Vehicle parked on District property, including District roads, if any, must do so in compliance with all laws, ordinances, and codes, and shall not block access to driveways and property entrances.

SECTION 4. ESTABLISHMENT OF TOW-AWAY ZONES. Each area set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto is hereby declared a Tow Away Zone. In addition, any Vehicle which is parked in a manner which prevents or inhibits the ability of emergency response vehicles to navigate streets within the District are hereby authorized to be towed.

SECTION 5. EXCEPTIONS.

- A. ON-STREET PARKING EXCEPTIONS. Abandoned and/or broken down Vehicles are not permitted to be parked on-street at any time and are subject to towing at the owner's expense. Commercial Vehicles, Recreational Vehicles, and Vessels are not permitted to be parked on-street overnight and shall be subject to towing at owner's expense.
- **B. VENDORS/CONTRACTORS.** The District Manager or his/her designee may authorize vendors/consultants in writing to park company Vehicles in order to facilitate District business. All Vehicles so authorized must be identified by a written parking pass issued by the District Manager or his/her designee, which must be clearly displayed in the Vehicle windshield. No verbal grants of authority will be issued or be held valid.
- C. **DELIVERY VEHICLES AND GOVERNMENTAL VEHICLES.** Delivery Vehicles, including but not limited to, U.P.S., Fed Ex, moving company Vehicles, and lawn maintenance vendors may park on District property while actively engaged in the operation of such businesses. Vehicles owned and operated by any governmental unit may also park on District property while carrying out official duties.
- **D. MAILBOX PARKING.** Mailbox Parking is limited to ten (10) minutes. Any cars parked in the Mailbox Parking spots for extended periods of time, including overnight, shall be subject to towing at owner's expense.

Any Vehicle parked on District property, including District roads, must do so in compliance with all laws, ordinances and codes.

SECTION 6. TOWING/REMOVAL PROCEDURES; ENFORCEMENT.

A. SIGNAGE AND LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS. Notice of the Tow-Away Zones shall be approved by the District's Board of Supervisors and shall be posted on District property in the manner set forth in Section 715.07, *Florida Statutes*. Such signage is to be placed in conspicuous locations, in accordance with Section 715.07, *Florida Statutes*.

- **B.** TOWING/REMOVAL AUTHORITY. To effect towing/removal of a Commercial Vehicle, Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle, the District Manager or his/her designee must verify that the subject Commercial Vehicle, Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle was not authorized to park under this rule in the Tow-Away Zone, and then must contact a firm authorized by Florida law to tow/remove Commercial Vehicle, Vehicles, Vessels and Recreational Vehicles for the removal of such unauthorized vehicle at the owner's expense. The Commercial Vehicle, Vehicle, Vessel or Recreational Vehicle shall be towed/removed by the firm in accordance with Florida law, specifically the provisions set forth in Section 715.07, *Florida Statutes*. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a towing service retained by the District may tow/remove any vehicle parked in the Tow-Away Zone.
- C. AGREEMENT WITH AUTHORIZED TOWING SERVICE. The District's Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into and maintain an agreement with a firm authorized by Florida law to tow/remove unauthorized vehicles and in accordance with Florida law and with the policies set forth herein.

SECTION 7. PARKING AT YOUR OWN RISK. Vehicles, Commercial Vehicles, Vessels or Recreational Vehicles may be parked on District property pursuant to this rule, provided, however, the District assumes no liability for any theft, vandalism and/or damage that might occur to personal property and/or to such Vehicles.

SECTION 8. AMENDMENTS; DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL TOW-AWAY ZONES OR DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS. The Board in its sole discretion may amend these Rules Related to Parking Enforcement from time to time to designate new Tow-Away Zones as the District acquires additional common areas. Such designations of new Tow-Away Zones are subject to proper signage and notice prior to enforcement of these rules in such areas.

EXHIBIT A – Tow Away Zone

Effective date: December 16, 2025

Exhibit A Tow Away Zone

[To begin on the following page.]

North Boulevard CDD – Street Parking Map

Street Parking Not Allowed

Street Parking Allowed

Mailbox Parking (Time Restricted)





SECTION 5

Proposal Date: 8/11/2025



Governmental Management Services - CF

Maintenance Services Phone: 407-201-1514 Email: Csmith@gmscfl.com

Bill To/District: North Boulevard CDD Prepared By: Governmental Management Services- CF,

LLC

219 E. Livingston Street Orlando, FL 32801

Job name and Description

Job Name: Installation of (2) Mailbox Parking Only Signs

Description: Installing (2) "Mailbox Parking Only" signs on 6ft. green, Uchannel

posts by both mailbox areas on Taft Dr.

Qty	Description	Unit Price	Line Total
4	Labor	\$50.00	\$400
1	Mobilization	\$65.00	\$65
	Equipment		\$55
	Materials		\$282.37
		Total Due:	\$802.37

This Proposal is Valid for 30 days.

Client Signature:	



Proposed "Mailbox Parking Only" signs for both mailbox areas on Taft Dr.

SECTION 6

North Boulevard

Community Development District

219 E. Livingston St., Orlando, Florida 32801 Phone: 407-841-5524 – Fax: 407-839-1526

February 27, 2024

Richard Hernandez Neria and Liz Jeannette Hernandez 180 Taft Drive Davenport, FL

Re: Encroachment into North Boulevard Community Development District Property

Dear Richard Hernandez Neria and Liz Jeannette Hernandez,

It has been brought to the attention of the North Boulevard Community Development District (the "District") that you or others residing in your home have recently installed prohibited items on District-owned property. The unapproved installations are a fence on a CDD tract and a private gate in a CDD fence. The addition of any personal property, including but not limited to, man-made objects, plants, trees, and ornamental items, is strictly prohibited as this area is District-owned property. Man-made objects include, but are not limited to, planters, outdoor furniture, bird houses, garden borders, pavers, steps, and all other man-made objects. Please see the attached photos for reference.

The purpose of notifying homeowners regarding this issue is to ensure the integrity of this area is not compromised. Please remove all personal property and fencing and return the area to the condition prior to installation of fencing by March 19, 2024. The private gate may remain in the perimeter fence however this will be controlled with a CDD padlock. Any unauthorized landscaping or other improvements remaining on District property after that date, or installed in the future, may be removed by the District, and the cost thereof charged to the responsible resident. Also, remember that absolutely no maintenance by residents, such as clearing vegetation, mowing, trimming, planting or any other type of activity, is allowed on District property without prior authorization by the District.

If you have concerns or questions regarding this issue, or the maintenance of the District property, please do not hesitate to contact me at (407) 841-5524 ext. 138. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Regards,

Tricia L. Adams District Manager

Tricia L. Adams

Governmental Management Services - Central Florida, LLC

Office Telephone: (407) 841-5524 ext. 138

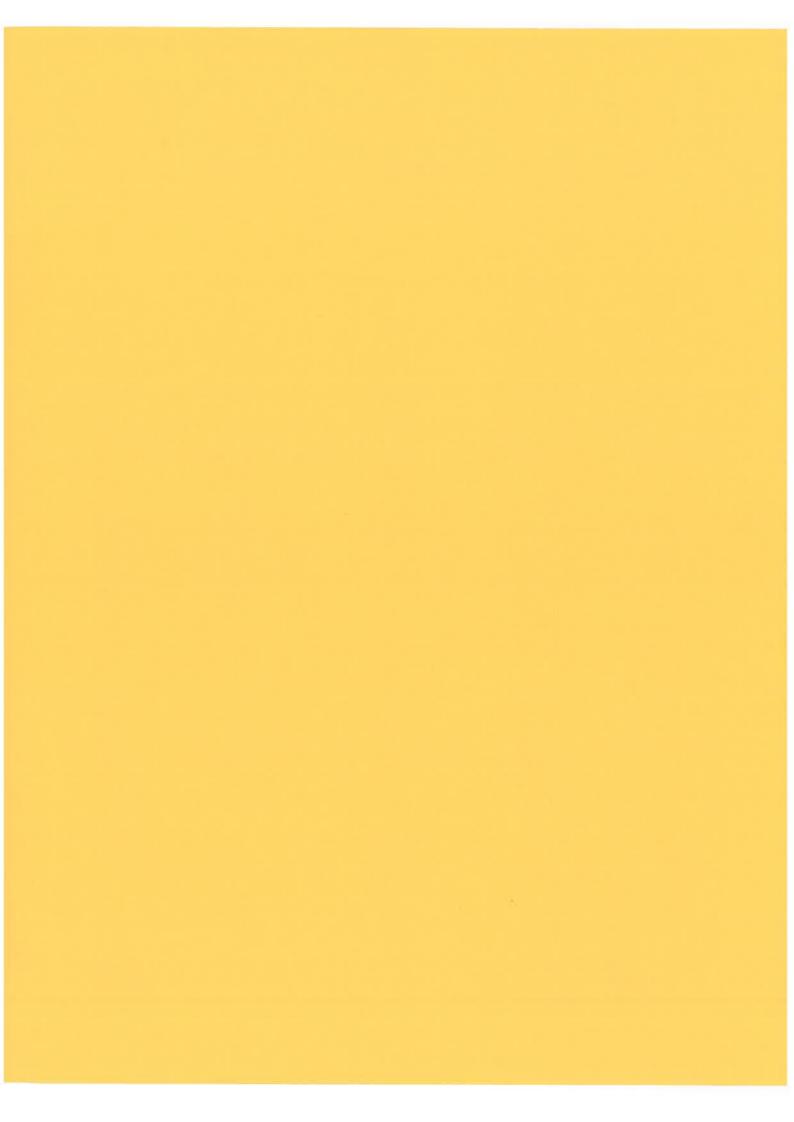
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North Boulevard

Community Development District

219 E. Livingston St., Orlando, Florida 32801 Phone: 407-841-5524 – Fax: 407-839-1526

July 18, 2025

Richard Hernandez Neria and Liz Jeannette Hernandez 180 Taft Drive Davenport, FL

Re: 2nd Notice of Encroachment into North Boulevard Community Development District Property

Dear Richard Hernandez Neria and Liz Jeannette Hernandez,

It has been brought to the attention of the North Boulevard Community Development District (the "District") that you or others residing in your home have installed prohibited items on District-owned property. The unapproved installations are a fence on District property, which attaches to a District fence, and a private gate in a District fence. The addition of any personal property, including but not limited to, man-made objects, plants, trees, and ornamental items, is strictly prohibited as this area is District-owned property. Man-made objects include, but are not limited to, fences, planters, outdoor furniture, bird houses, garden borders, pavers, steps, and all other man-made objects. Please see the attached photos for reference.

The purpose of notifying homeowners regarding this issue is to ensure the integrity of this area is not compromised. Please remove all personal property and fencing and return the area to the condition prior to installation of fencing within forty-five (45) days of the date of this letter, by September 1st, 2025. Please remove the private gate that is attached to District property. Any unauthorized landscaping or other improvements remaining on District property after that date, or installed in the future, may be removed by the District, and the cost thereof charged to the responsible resident. Also, remember that absolutely no maintenance by residents, such as clearing vegetation, mowing, trimming, planting or any other type of activity, is allowed on District property without prior authorization by the District. Once the fence is removed, the landscaping on District property must be restored to its original form at the cost of the resident. We are requesting a plan of action to be submitted to the District within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter, August 18th, 2025, to show how you plan to remove the encroachment on District property.

If you have concerns or questions regarding this issue, or the maintenance of the District property, please do not hesitate to contact me at (407) 841-5524 ext. 138. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Regards,

Tricia L. Adams

Tricia L. Adams District Manager

Governmental Management Services - Central Florida, LLC

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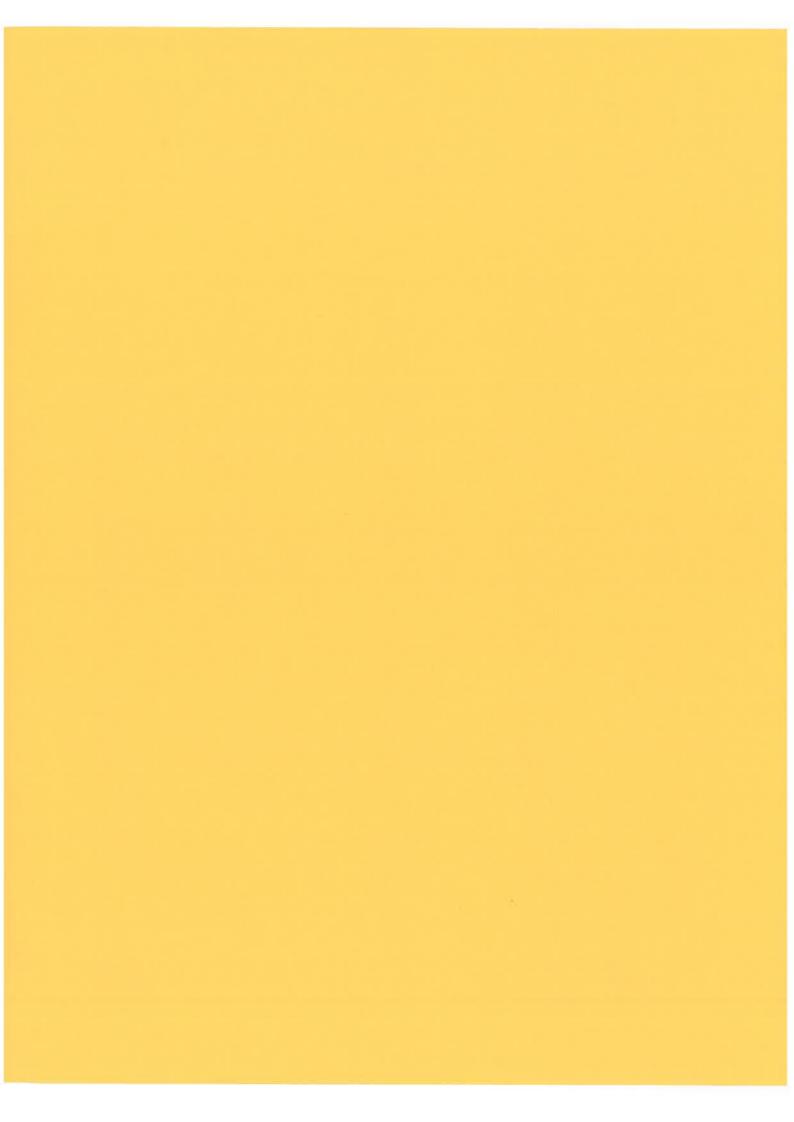
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517 E. College Avenue Tallahassee, Florida 32301 877-350-0372

November 18, 2025

Via Certified Mail and Regular U.S. Mail

Richard Hernandez Neris and Liz Jeannette Hernandez 180 Taft Drive Davenport, Florida 33837

Re: North Boulevard Community Development District

Cease and Desist – Unauthorized Usage of District Property

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hernandez-Neris:

Our firm serves as District counsel for the North Boulevard Community Development District (the "District"), a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, which owns and maintains various open spaces within the Northridge Estates community. This letter follows two (2) letters previously sent by the District's Manager regarding the unauthorized installation of prohibited improvements on District-owned property (the "Improvements") by you or others residing in your home. The Improvements include a fence on District property, which attaches to a District fence, and a private gate in the District fence. The installation of improvements on District property is strictly prohibited and is thereby unauthorized. Photographs evidencing the prohibited improvements are attached.

The District requires you to immediately cease and desist from installing and maintaining personal property on District property, and further requires you to remove all personal property, including the fence and other encroachments, from the District's property and restore the property to its original condition within sixty (60) days of receipt of this letter.

Please be aware that nothing in this letter shall be construed as limiting the District's right to take any available legal action. Should you fail to promptly cease and desist the aforementioned activities, the District will have no choice but to take appropriate legal action to protect its rights and the community.

If you have any questions, you may contact the District's Manager, Katie O'Rourke, at (407) 841-5524 or at korourke@gmscfl.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Savannah Hancock

Savannah Hancock, Esq. Kilinski | Van Wyk PLLC District Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Katie O'Rourke, District Manager (via e-mail only)
Meredith W. Hammock, District Counsel (via e-mail only)





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P.O. Box 6386 Tallahassee, Florida 32314



Richard Hernandez Neris and Liz Jeannette Hernandez 180 Taft Drive Davenport, Florida 33837



P.O. Box 6386 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

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SECTION 7

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING DATES NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2026

The Board of Supervisors of the North Boulevard Community Development District will hold their regular meetings for Fiscal Year 2026 at the **Tom Fellows Community Center – 207 North Blvd W, Davenport, FL 33837**, on the **third Monday** of every month, at **6:00 P.M.**, unless otherwise indicated as follows:

January 12, 2026 (2nd Monday)
February 16, 2026
March 16, 2026
April 20, 2026
May 18, 2026
June 15, 2026
July 20, 2026
August 17, 2026
September 21, 2026

The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provision of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. The meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. A copy of the agenda for these meetings may be obtained from Governmental Management Services - Central Florida, LLC, 219 E. Livingston Street, Orlando, Florida 32801 or by calling (407) 841-5524.

There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors or staff will participate by telephone. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (407) 841-5524 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Office.

A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

District Manager

SECTION 8

LICENSE AGREEMENT REGARDING THE USE OF CERTAIN DISTRICT PROPERTY

THIS LICENSE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into this <u>17</u> day of November 2025, by and between:

NORTH BOULEVARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, located in the City of Haines City, Florida, with a mailing address of c/o Governmental Management Services – Central Florida, LLC, 219 East Livingston Street, Orlando, Florida 32801 (the "**District**"), and

NORTHRIDGE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, with a mailing address of 619 East Colonial Drive, Orlando, Florida 32803 (the "Licensee", and together with the District, the "Parties").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Licensee desires to install and maintain holiday lighting and decorations (collectively, the "Decorations") on property which is owned and maintained by the District; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to grant the Licensee a temporary, non-exclusive license for the access and use of the property identified at **Exhibit A** attached hereto (the "**License Property**") for the purpose of installing, maintaining, and removing the Decorations; and

WHEREAS, the District and the Licensee desire to set forth the terms of their mutual agreement regarding the access and use of the License Property.

Now, Therefore, based upon good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants of the parties, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the District and the Licensee agree as follows:

- 1. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS. The Recitals stated above are true and correct and are incorporated herein as a material part of this Agreement.
- 2. GRANT OF LICENSE. The District hereby grants to the Licensee a temporary, non-exclusive license to install and maintain the Decorations on the License Property, in full compliance with this Agreement, and all applicable laws, regulations and codes (hereinafter, the "License").
- **3. CONDITIONS ON THE LICENSE.** The License granted in Paragraph 2 is subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The Licensee's use of the License Property shall be for the sole purpose of installation, repair, maintenance, and removal of the Decorations and reasonable ingress and egress thereto. No other grant of license is authorized.

- b. The Licensee shall be fully responsible for the installation of the Decorations and any maintenance, damage, removal, or other incidentals associated with the installation, maintenance, ongoing use, and removal of the Decorations at the Licensee's sole expense. The Licensee shall be responsible for returning the License Property to its original condition, or such condition otherwise approved by the District, upon the removal of the Decorations. The provisions of this Paragraph 3(b) shall survive termination of this Agreement.
- c. The Licensee's use of the License Property shall not impede public use of any District property and shall not impede line of site or access to the community's entrances.
- d. The Licensee shall, at the Licensee's expense, maintain the License Property and the Decorations in a neat, clean and sanitary condition in compliance with all applicable laws, rules, codes, ordinances and covenants. All repairs, maintenance or alterations of the Decorations shall be done at the Licensee's sole expense. In the event District contractor(s) cause damage to the Decorations in the performance of its duties and upon reasonable request by the Licensee, the District agrees to provide the Licensee with contact information for the identified contractor(s) that is in the District's possession at the time of request.
- e. The Licensee shall use all due care to protect the License Property and adjoining property from damage resulting from the Licensee's use of the License Property. In the event the Licensee, or its respective employees, agents, assignees, contractors (or their subcontractors, employees, or materialmen) or representatives cause damage to the License Property or to adjacent property or improvements in the exercise of the License granted herein, the Licensee, at its sole cost and expense, agrees to promptly commence and diligently pursue the restoration of the same and the improvements so damaged to, as nearly as practical, the original condition and grade, including, without limitation, repair and replacement of any landscaping, hardscaping, plantings, ground cover, roadways, sidewalks, parking areas, and other structures or improvements of any kind. The provisions of this Paragraph 3(e) shall survive termination of this Agreement.
- f. The Licensee shall comply at all times with relevant statutes and regulations applicable to the purposes contemplated by this Agreement and shall, upon request of the District, provide proof of such compliance. The Licensee shall comply in all material respects with the District's Rules and Policies and acknowledges that it has received a copy of such Rules and Policies.

4. ACCESS; CONDITION OF THE LICENSE PROPERTY.

- a. The District hereby grants the Licensee and its members, agents, and subcontractors the limited right to access the License Property for the purposes described in this Agreement.
- b. The District assumes no liability or obligation to the Licensee as to the condition of the License Property or the suitability of the License Property for the Decorations. The License Property is granted in an "as is" condition.
- 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE; TERM.** This License Agreement shall become effective on November 21, 2025, on which date the Licensee may begin installing the Decorations, and shall continue in full force and effect until January 7, 2026, by which date the Licensee shall have fully removed said Decorations, unless revoked or terminated in accordance with Paragraph 6, below.
- 6. REVOCATION, SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION. The District and the Licensee acknowledge and agree that the License granted herein is a mere privilege and may be suspended or revoked, at any time and for any reason, at the sole discretion of the District. Upon notification by the District or revocation of the License herein granted, the Licensee shall remove the Decorations, at its sole cost, within ten (10) days of the effective date of the suspension or revocation, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the District. The Licensee may terminate this License Agreement upon written notice to the District. The Licensee shall not be entitled to any compensation, off sets, incidental costs or any other payment under this Agreement.
- 7. **INSURANCE.** The Licensee shall, at its own expense, maintain insurance during the performance of its services under this Agreement, with limits of liability not less than the following:

Workers' Compensation	Statutory
General Liability	
Bodily Injury	\$1,000,000/\$2,000,000
(including Contractual)	
Property Damage	\$1,000,000/\$2,000,000
(including Contractual)	
Automobile Liability	Combined Single Limit \$1,000,000
Bodily Injury / Property Damage	-

If any such policy of insurance is a "claims made" policy, and not an "occurrence" policy, the Licensee shall, without interruption maintain the insurance for the term of this Agreement. The District, its officers, supervisors, agents, staff, and representatives shall be named as additional insured parties, except with respect to the Worker's Compensation Insurance for which only proof of insurance shall be provided. The Licensee shall furnish the District with the Certificate of Insurance evidencing compliance with the requirements of this Section. No certificate shall be acceptable to the District unless it provides that any change or termination within the policy periods

of the insurance coverage, as certified, shall not be effective within thirty (30) days of prior written notice to the District. Insurance coverage shall be from a reputable insurance carrier, licensed to conduct business in the state of Florida.

If the Licensee fails to have secured and maintained the required insurance, the District has the right (without any obligation to do so, however), to secure such required insurance in which event, the Licensee shall pay the cost for that required insurance and shall furnish, upon demand, all information that may be required in connection with the District's obtaining the required insurance.

- 8. INDEMNIFICATION. The Licensee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District and its supervisors, agents, staff and representatives, from and against any loss, damage, injury, claim, demand, cost and expense (including legal expense) or injury arising from a) the Licensee's occupation or use of the License Property; b) the Licensee's operations, negligence or willful conduct occurring in or on any part of the License Property; and c) the Licensee's failure to comply with any regulatory requirement relating to the Decorations and contents, including but not limited to enforcement of applicable covenants and restrictions, constitutional claims or any others. The Licensee hereby assumes all risk with respect to its use of the License Property. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed as a waiver of immunity or limits of liability of the District beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability which may have been adopted by the Florida Legislature in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes or other statute, and nothing in this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any third party, including but not limited to guests, invitees and licensees, for the purpose of allowing any claim which would otherwise be barred under the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity or by operation of law. The indemnification rights herein contained shall be cumulative of, and in addition to, any and all rights, remedies and recourse to which the District shall be entitled, whether pursuant to some other provision of this Agreement, at law, or in equity. The provisions of this Paragraph 8 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- 9. ENFORCEMENT; LAW AND VENUE. In the event the Licensee shall fail to perform any covenant, term, or provision of this Agreement, then the District shall have the right to immediately terminate this Agreement and the Licensee shall remove the Decorations and any signage from District property. This Agreement shall be construed, interpreted, and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. Venue shall be in Polk County, Florida. In the event the District is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then if successful, the District shall be entitled to recover from the Licensee all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
- 10. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENT. This instrument shall constitute the final and complete expression of the agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by both Parties.
- 11. ASSIGNMENT. Neither the District nor the Licensee may assign their rights, duties or obligations under this License Agreement without the prior written approval of the other. Any purported assignment without said written authorization shall be void.

- 12. Notices. All notices, requests, consents, and other communications hereunder (each, a "Notice" or collectively, "Notices") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by overnight courier or First Class Mail, postage prepaid, to the Parties at the addresses listed herein. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address set forth above. Notices delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the District and counsel for the Licensee may deliver Notice on behalf of the District and the Licensee. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other Parties and addressees of any change in name or address to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days' written notice to the Parties set forth herein.
- 13. PUBLIC RECORDS. The Licensee understands and agrees that all documents of any kind provided to the District in connection with this License Agreement may be public records, and, accordingly, the Licensee agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Florida law in handling such records, including, but not limited to, section 119.0701, *Florida Statutes*. The Licensee acknowledges that the designated public records custodian for the District is **Katie O'Rourke** ("Public Records Custodian").
 - IF THE LICENSEE HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE LICENSEE'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE PUBLIC RECORDS CUSTODIAN AT (407) 841-5524, KOROURKE@GMSCFL.COM, OR 219 EAST LIVINGSTON STREET, ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32801.
- 14. ARM'S LENGTH NEGOTIATION. This Agreement has been negotiated fully among the Parties as an arm's length transaction. The Parties participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement and received, or had the opportunity to receive, the advice of counsel. In the case of a dispute concerning the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, the Parties are deemed to have drafted, chosen and selected the language and any doubtful language will not be interpreted or construed against any party.
- 15. AUTHORIZATION. The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of each of the Parties hereto, each of the Parties has complied with all the requirements of law and each of the Parties has full power and authority to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 16. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Agreement, or any part of this Agreement not held to be invalid or unenforceable.

- 17. HEADINGS FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY. The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not control nor affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 18. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall be an original; however, all such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- 19. ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING. The Licensee certifies, by acceptance of this Agreement, that neither it nor its principals utilize coercion for labor or services as defined in Section 787.06, *Florida Statutes*. The Licensee agrees to execute an affidavit in compliance with Section 787.06(13), *Florida Statutes*, in a form acceptable to the District, and acknowledges that if the Licensee refuses to sign said affidavit, the District may terminate this Agreement immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties caused this Agreement to be executed, effective as of the day and year first written above.

NORTH BOULEVARD

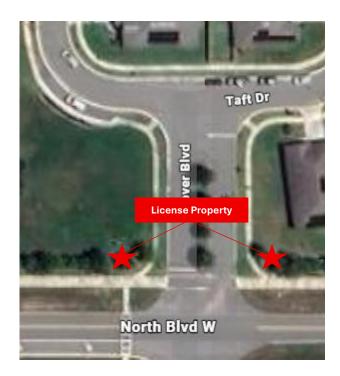
COMMUNIT	Y DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT Signed by:
	Andres Romero
Chairperson	, Board of Supervisors
ASSOCIATIO	GE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ON, INC., a Florida not for profit
corporation	DocuSigned by:
By:	Rheah Bridges
Its:	NRE HOA Board President

EXHIBIT A: License Property

EXHIBIT A License Property







SECTION 10



200 S. F. Street Haines City, Florida 33844

Phone 863-422-5207 | Fax 863-422-1816

Polk County License # 214815

SUBMITTED TO:	Job Name / I	Job Name / Location:			
GMS Services	North Bouley	vard CDD			
135 W. Central Blvd	Northridge R	Northridge Reserve/Northridge Estates			
Orlando, FL 32801					
Joel Blanco					
Phone:(786) 238-9473					
Email: JBlanco@gmscfl.com					
Proposal to mulch Entrances, Perimeter wall, and	common area tree rin	igs with m	ini pine k	oark and 2 play	grounds with
playground safe rubber mulch					
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SECTION 11



GMS-Central Florida

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity for Prince and Sons to enhance the quality of your landscape. Per our discussions with the District Manager Prince & Sons has agreed to honor the current pricing until May 2026. Due to economic conditions, we will need to increase to the below amount beginning in May. I also attached to this email a pricing schedule for reference. Please contact me to discuss this particular property.

NORTH BLVD CDD

Current:

\$58,860 Yearly/ \$4,905 Monthly

5/1/2026Increase to:

\$88,056 yearly/ \$7,338 monthly

Lucas Dean Martin

Vice President of Landscape Maintenance

Max Martin

Horticulturalist

Phone: 863-422-5207 Office Mobile: 863-500-0312

lmartin@princeandsonsinc.com



SECTION 12

Revised 12/2025 ADA Compliant

POLK COUNTY



Property Appraiser Neil Combee

2026 Data Sharing and Usage Agreement

This Data Sharing and Usage Agreement, hereinafter referred to as "**Agreement**," establishes the terms and conditions under which the North Boulevard Community Development District (CDD) hereinafter referred to as "**agency**," can acquire and use Polk County Property Appraiser data that is exempt from Public Records disclosure as defined in FS 119.071.

In accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the agency agrees to protect confidential data in accordance with FS 282.3185 and FS 501.171 and adhere to the standards set forth within these statutes.

For the purposes of this Agreement, all data is provided. It is the responsibility of the agency to apply all statutory guidelines relative to confidentiality and personal identifying information.

The confidentiality of personal identifying information including: names, mailing address and OR Book and Pages pertaining to parcels owned by individuals that have received exempt / confidential status, hereinafter referred to as "confidential data," will be protected as follows:

- 1. The **agency** will not release **confidential data** that may reveal identifying information of individuals exempted from Public Records disclosure.
- 2. The **agency** will not present the **confidential data** in the results of data analysis (including maps) in any manner that would reveal personal identifying information of individuals exempted from Public Records disclosure.
- 3. The **agency** shall comply with all state laws and regulations governing the confidentiality and exempt status of personal identifying and location information that is the subject of this Agreement.
- 4. The **agency** shall ensure any employee granted access to **confidential data** is subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 5. The **agency** shall ensure any third party granted access to **confidential data** is subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Acceptance of these terms must be provided in writing to the **agency** by the third party before personal identifying information is released.
- 6. The **agency** agrees to comply with all regulations for the security of confidential personal information as defined in <u>FS 501.171</u>.
- 7. The **agency**, when defined as "local government" by <u>FS 282.3185</u>, is required to adhere to all cybersecurity guidelines when in possession of data provided or obtained from the Polk County Property Appraiser.

The term of this Agreement shall commence on **January 1, 2026**, and shall run until **December 31, 2026**, the date of signature by the parties notwithstanding. **This Agreement shall not automatically renew.** A new agreement will be provided annually to ensure all responsible parties are aware of and maintain the terms and conditions of this Data Sharing and Usage Agreement.

In witness of their agreement to the terms above, the parties or their authorized agents hereby affix their signatures.

POLK COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER Agency: North Boulevard CDD Signature: Signature: Print: Neil Combee Print: Polk County Property Appraiser Title: Polk County Property Appraiser Date: January 1, 2026 Date:

SECTION 14

SECTION C

North Boulevard CDD

Field Management Report



December 16th, 2025
Joel Blanco
Field Services Manager
GMS

Site Item

Landscaping & Playground Review

- ♣ Field Staff has reviewed the landscaping, playground, and dry ponds throughout the district.
- Landscaping was found in satisfactory conditions – neat, tidy with landscaping beds regularly detailed.
- ♣ During review, it was noted that several gopher mounts were seen in unirrigated common areas with landscaping vendor flattening mounts during service.
- ♣ As noted in the last field manager's report, several notable areas, such as entrance landscaping beds, entrance tree rings and area around the playgrounds need mulch. Attached is a proposal to re-mulch all areas.



Site Item

Landscaping & Playground Review Cont'd



In Progress

Maintenance Items

- ♣ Field Staff has noted several maintenance items scheduled for completion.
- ♣ All (4) new towing policy signs have been installed at each entrance.
- (2) small sections of fallen slats on Buchanan and dry pond behind Taft Dr. have been repaired.
- (2) outlets were found with sediment and scheduled for removal.
- Attached is a proposal to installed (2) "Mailbox Parking Only" signs on Taft Dr. for board consideration.



In Progress

Noted Areas of Encroachment

- ♣ Field Staff reviewed several areas of encroachment
- Access gate on CDD owned fence on 180 Taft Dr. remains on CDD owned fence.
- Minor encroachment items that were previously noted, such as support beams for wood panel backdrop and pallets on CDD owned property on 160 Taft Dr. have been removed while the fence support straps on 156 Taft Dr. remain.
- Deflated bounce house was found on CDD area next to 104 Taft Dr.
- (2) french drains were found on 464 Buchanan Dr. with evidence of erosion found.



Conclusion

For any questions or comments regarding the above information, please contact me by phone at 786-238-9473 or by email at jblanco@gmscfl.com. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Joel Blanco

SECTION D

SECTION i

North Boulevard Community Development District

Summary of Check Register

October 1, 2025 to October 31,2025

Bank	Date	Check No.'s		Amount
General Fund				
	10/3/25	554	\$	749.17
	10/20/25	555-559	\$	23,877.56
	10/24/25	560-562	\$	1,300.52
	10/31/25	563-564	\$	1,345.55
			Total \$	27,272.80
Payroll Fund	October 2025 Meeting			
,	Emily Hazelrig	50022	\$	184.70
	Yaron Orenstein	50023	\$	184.70
	Andres Romero	50024	\$	184.70
			Total \$	554.10
			\$	27,826.90

AP300R YEAR-TO-DATE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PREPAID/COMPUTER CHECK REGISTER RUN 12/09/25 PAGE 1
*** CHECK DATES 10/01/2025 - 10/31/2025 *** NORTH BOULEVARD GENERAL FUND

	BANK A GENERAL	FUND			
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SPECIAL DISTRIC	FLORIDA DEF	PARTMENT OF COMMERCE	E		175.00 000555
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WEBSITE MANAGEN 10/01/25 191 202510	310-51300-35100		*	162.25	
INFORMATION TEC 10/01/25 191 202510	310-51300-31300		*	585.83	
DISSEMINATION S 10/01/25 191 202510	310-51300-51000		*	.27	
OFFICE SUPPLIES 10/01/25 191 202510			*	6.69	
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LANDSCAPE MAINT 9/11/25 20011 202509	-SEP25		*	84.38	
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LANDSCAPE MAINT		ONS INC		,	10,447.46 000559
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Community Development District

Unaudited Financial Reporting

October 31, 2025



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Community Development District Combined Balance Sheet

October 31, 2025

		General Fund	Dε	ebt Service Fund	Сарі	Capital Reserve Fund				Totals ımental Funds
Assets:										
Operating Account	\$	61,552	\$	-	\$	69,424	\$	130,976		
Due From General Fund	\$	-	\$	1,262	\$	-	\$	1,262		
State Board - 231420	\$	65,600	\$	-	\$	-	\$	65,600		
Deposits	\$	960	\$	-	\$	-	\$	960		
Investments:										
Series 2017										
Reserve	\$	-	\$	123,875	\$	-	\$	123,875		
Revenue	\$	-	\$	188,023	\$	-	\$	188,023		
Redemption	\$	-	\$	829	\$	-	\$	829		
Series 2019										
Reserve	\$	-	\$	105,956	\$	-	\$	105,956		
Revenue	\$	-	\$	171,779	\$	-	\$	171,779		
Prepayment	\$	-	\$	166	\$	-	\$	166		
Total Assets	\$	128,113	\$	591,890	\$	69,424	\$	789,427		
Liabilities:										
Accounts Payable	\$	7,620	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,620		
FICA Payable	\$	92	\$	-	\$	-	\$	92		
Due to Debt Service	\$	1,262	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,262		
Total Liabilites	\$	8,973	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,973		
Fund Balance:										
Assigned For:										
Debt Service - Series 2017	\$	_	\$	313,423	\$	_	\$	313,423		
Debt Service - Series 2019	\$	_	\$	278,466	\$	_	\$	278,466		
Restricted For:	4		₹	3,100	*		₹	5,150		
Capital Reserve	\$	_	\$	_	\$	69,424	\$	69,424		
Unassigned	\$	119,139	\$	-	\$	-	\$	119,139		
Total Fund Balances	\$	119,139	\$	591,890	\$	69,424	\$	780,453		
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$	128,113	\$	591,890	\$	69,424	\$	789,427		

Community Development District

General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

		Adopted	Prora	ited Budget		Actual	
		Budget	Thru	10/31/25	Thru	10/31/25	Variance
Revenues:							
Assessments - Tax Roll	\$	531,702	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Interest	\$	-	\$	-	\$	238	\$ 238
Total Revenues	\$	531,702	\$	-	\$	238	\$ 238
Expenditures:							
General & Administrative:							
Supervisor Fees	\$	12,000	\$	1,000	\$	600	\$ 400
FICA Expense	\$	918	\$	77	\$	46	\$ 31
Engineering Fees	\$	10,000	\$	833	\$	-	\$ 833
Dissemination Agent	\$	7,030	\$	586	\$	586	\$ -
Attorney Fees	\$	25,000	\$	2,083	\$	2,054	\$ 29
Assessment Administration	\$	5,408	\$	5,408	\$	5,408	\$ (1)
Annual Audit	\$	5,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Trustee Fees	\$	8,514	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Management Fees	\$	46,350	\$	3,863	\$	3,863	\$ -
Information Technology	\$	1,947	\$	162	\$	162	\$ (0)
Website Maintenance	\$	1,298	\$	108	\$	108	\$ (0)
Postage & Delivery	\$	1,300	\$	108	\$	7	\$ 102
Printing & Binding	\$	400	\$	33	\$	-	\$ 33
Insurance	\$	8,390	\$	8,390	\$	7,734	\$ 656
Legal Advertising	\$	5,300	\$	442	\$	275	\$ 167
Contingency	\$	2,800	\$	233	\$	-	\$ 233
Office Supplies	\$	100	\$	8	\$	0	\$ 8
Dues, Licenses & Fees	\$	175	\$	175	\$	175	\$ -
Total General & Administrative:	\$	141,929	\$	23,510	\$	21,018	\$ 2,492

Community Development District

General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

	Adopted		Prorated Budget			Actual	
		Budget		Thru 10/31/25		u 10/31/25	Variance
Operation and Maintenance							
Field Expenses							
Field Management	\$	8,598	\$	717	\$	717	\$ -
Electric	\$	9,490	\$	791	\$	-	\$ 791
Streetlights	\$	30,418	\$	2,535	\$	-	\$ 2,535
Property Insurance	\$	5,824	\$	5,824	\$	4,554	\$ 1,270
Landscape Maintenance	\$	60,626	\$	5,052	\$	4,905	\$ 147
Landscape Replacement & Enhancement	\$	20,000	\$	1,667	\$	-	\$ 1,667
Irrigation Repairs	\$	5,500	\$	458	\$	91	\$ 367
General Field Repairs & Maintenance	\$	20,000	\$	1,667	\$	-	\$ 1,667
Contingency	\$	9,700	\$	808	\$	-	\$ 808
	Subtotal \$	170,155	\$	19,518	\$	10,266	\$ 9,252
Amenity Expenses							
Inter-Governmental Expense	\$	78,374	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Trash Collections	\$	2,793	\$	233	\$	233	\$ -
Pest Control	\$	960	\$	80	\$	-	\$ 80
	Subtotal \$	82,127	\$	313	\$	233	\$ 80
Total O&M Expenses:	\$	252,282	\$	19,831	\$	10,499	\$ 9,332
Total Expenditures	\$	394,212	\$	43,340	\$	31,517	\$ 11,824
Other Financing Sources/Uses:							
Capital Reserve	\$	(137,490)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	\$	(137,490)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Excess Revenues (Expenditures)	\$	0			\$	(31,279)	
Fund Balance - Beginning	\$	-			\$	150,418	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	-			\$	119,139	

Community Development District

Debt Service Fund - Series 2017

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

	Adopted		Prora	Prorated Budget		Actual		
		Budget		Thru 10/31/25		u 10/31/25	Variance	
Revenues:								
Assessments - Tax Roll	\$	258,211	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Interest	\$	6,000	\$	500	\$	975	\$	475
Total Revenues	\$	264,211	\$	500	\$	975	\$	475
Expenditures:								
Interest Expense 11/1	\$	81,086	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Principal Expense - 5/1	\$	85,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Interest Expense - 5/1	\$	81,086	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Expenditures	\$	247,171	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Excess Revenues (Expenditures)	\$	17,040			\$	975		
Fund Balance - Beginning	\$	188,352			\$	312,448		
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	205,392			\$	313,423		

Community Development District

Debt Service Fund - Series 2019

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

	Adopted	Prorat	ted Budget		Actual			
	Budget		Thru 10/31/25		Thru 10/31/25		Variance	
Revenues:								
Assessments - Tax Roll	\$ 209,762	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Interest	\$ 5,000	\$	417	\$	866	\$	450	
Total Revenues	\$ 214,762	\$	417	\$	866	\$	450	
Expenditures:								
Interest Expense 11/1	\$ 76,700	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Principal Expense 11/1	\$ 55,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Interest Expense 5/1	\$ 75,394	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total Expenditures	\$ 207,094	\$	-	\$		\$	-	
Excess Revenues (Expenditures)	\$ 7,668			\$	866			
Fund Balance - Beginning	\$ 170,966			\$	277,600			
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 178,634			\$	278,466			

Community Development District

Capital Reserve Projects

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

	Adopted			ted Budget		Actual			
		Budget	Thru	10/31/25	Thru	10/31/25	Variance		
Revenues:									
Interest	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6	\$	6	
Total Revenues	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6	\$	6	
Expenditures:									
Reserve Study	\$	5,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total Expenditures	\$	5,000	\$	417	\$	-	\$	417	
Other Financing Sources:									
Transfer In/(Out)	\$	137,490	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$	137,490	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Excess Revenues (Expenditures)	\$	132,490			\$	6			
Fund Balance - Beginning	\$	69,413			\$	69,418			
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	201,904			\$	69,424			

Community Development District Month to Month

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Total
Revenues:													
Assessments - Tax Roll	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	
Interest	\$ 238 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	238
Other Income	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Total Revenues	\$ 238 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	238
Expenditures:													
General & Administrative:													
Supervisor Fees	\$ 600 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	600
FICA Expense	\$ 46 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	46
Engineering Fees	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Dissemination Agent	\$ 586 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	586
Attorney Fees	\$ 2,054 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	2,054
Assessment Administration	\$ 5,408 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	5,408
Annual Audit	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Trustee Fees	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Management Fees	\$ 3,863 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	3,863
Information Technology	\$ 162 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	162
Website Maintenance	\$ 108 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	108
Postage & Delivery	\$ 7 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	7
Printing & Binding	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Insurance	\$ 7,734 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	7,734
Legal Advertising	\$ 275 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	275
Contingency	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Office Supplies	\$ 0 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	0
Dues, Licenses & Fees	\$ 175 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	175
Total General & Administrative:	\$ 21,018 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	21,018

Community Development District Month to Month

		0ct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Total
Operation and Maintenance														
Field Expenses														
Field Management	\$	717 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	717
Electric	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Streetlights	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Property Insurance	\$	4,554 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	4,554
Landscape Maintenance	\$	4,905 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	4,905
Landscape Replacement	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Irrigation Repairs	\$	91 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	91
General Repairs & Maintenance	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Contingency	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
	Subtotal \$	10,266 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	10,266
Amenity Expenses														
Inter-Governmental Expense	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	
Trash Collection	\$	233 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	233
Pest Control	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	
	Subtotal \$	233 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	233
Total 0&M Expenses:	\$	10,499 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	10,499
Total Expenditures	\$	31,517 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	31,517
Other Financing Sources/Uses:														
Transfer In/(Out)	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Excess Revenues (Expenditures)	\$	(31,279) \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	(31,279)

Community Development District Long Term Debt Report

Series 2017, Special Assessment Revenue Bonds

Interest Rate: 3.500%, 4.100%, 4.625%, 5.000%

Maturity Date: 5/1/2048

Reserve Fund Definition 50% of Maximum Annual Debt Service

Reserve Fund Requirement \$123,875 Reserve Fund Balance \$123,875

Bonds Outstanding - 10/16/2017 \$4,965,000 Less: Special Call Payment - 05/01/2018 (\$300,000)Less: Special Call Payment - 07/23/2018 (\$560,000) Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2019 (\$265,000) (\$70,000) Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2020 Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2021 (\$70,000) Less: Special Call Payment - 11/01/2021 (\$5,000)Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2022 (\$80,000)Less: Principal Payment - 11/01/2022 (\$5,000)Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2023 (\$75,000) Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2024 (\$75,000) Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/2025 (\$80,000)

Series 2019, Special Assessment Revenue Bonds

\$3,380,000

Interest Rate: 4.250%, 4.750%, 5.500%, 5.625%

Maturity Date: 11/1/2049

Current Bonds Outstanding

Reserve Fund Definition 50% of Maximum Annual Debt Service

Reserve Fund Requirement \$105,956 Reserve Fund Balance \$105,956

Bonds Outstanding - 11/01/2020 \$4,335,000 (\$605,000) Less: Special Call Payment - 02/01/20 (\$325,000) Less: Special Call Payment - 08/01/20 Less: Special Call Payment - 11/01/20 (\$170,000) Less: Special Call Payment - 02/01/21 (\$155,000) Less: Principal Payment - 05/01/21 (\$55,000) Less: Special Call Payment - 08/01/21 (\$5,000)Less: Principal Payment - 11/01/21 (\$65,000)Less: Principal Payment - 11/01/22 (\$55,000) Less: Principal Payment - 11/01/23 (\$50,000) Less: Principal Payment - 11/01/24 (\$55,000)

Current Bonds Outstanding \$2,795,000